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THE MASS MEETING MONDAY EVENING

The City Hall was well filled at 7:30 Monday evening, the hour set for the mass meeting called by Mayor White, to hear such complaints as citizens had to make against the Missouri Public Utilities Co. and the Southwestern Bell Telephone Co. The real meat of the meeting was to get an expression from those present as to how best to make contracts for lighting and pumping water for the city.

Everyone present, who had anything on their system in the way of complaints against either of these corporations, was given an opportunity to say it, and say it strong.

Some thought we were paying too much for service rendered and was in favor of a municipal plant, while others acknowledged that bills were high, but could not say whether they were too high or not, and believed this was not the time to agitate any sort of bond issue.

It was generally stated that we were getting poor or weak street lights but whether or not we were getting just what the town was paying for, could not be ascertained. Mayor White stated that the City Council had considered the proposition to cut out the street lights altogether, but that would not meet with the approval of the citizens. It was shown what a predicament the city would be in should a break occur in the transmission line from the Cape and a fire occur about that time without any sort of engin to pump water. All of which was acknowledged by those present. After permitting the delegation from Charleston to throw a few stones and some scrap iron into the Public Utilities machinery, Mr. Kelso, council of the Public Utilities Co., was asked to give his side of the story. His side was well given and he stated that there had never been a time that his company was not ready and willing to do anything possible, without counting the cost, to give service to Sikeston and other cities and towns that they served but that they could not promise not to have breaks in the service in case of storms and like causes over which Providence ruled. He likewise stated that Charleston and Sikeston had been cold to their company ever since they took possession of the properties and it seemed that their utmost efforts could not satisfy them. With these two cities continually holding the "club of municipal plants" over their heads, it was not much of an incentive to further spend large sums of money to more nearly perfect their service by bringing in a line from Poplar Bluff to Dexter, to Sikeston, to Charleston, in order to shift switches in case a tree falls across the Cape cable and put it out of commission. Mr. Kelso put it just about right when he stated that it was but human for the public to wish low rates for the service and his company high rates for their service, but that the Missouri Public Service Commission, after listening to evidence and complaints from both sides, made the rates now in force.

We, the prejudicied public, hate to acknowledge the fact, but Mr. Kelso handled his side of the controversy in an able manner, and made some of us think that perhaps we hadn't given the devil his dues.

The complaints against the Telephone Company was caused by bad night service and an representative of that company stated that they were, and had been for six weeks, installing new switch boards and that from 9 p. m. until 6 a. m. workmen had certain sections of the switch board disconnected. The work being done at night to cause just as little inconvenience as possible.

After the representatives of these corporations gave their side of the stroy, and it was so plain that they were the injured party, we looked for Mayor White to apologize for having caused them to come down and meet with us, but he didn't do it. Instead, he appointed a committee of three members of the City Council to join with three member of the Chamber of Commerce and work out a scheme to make a satisfactory contract with the Public Utilities Co., or to report on the advisability of attempting to pass a bond issue for a municipal plant. This committee was given ten days to work out a scheme to present at a mass meeting to be called by the Mayor.

B. & L. ASSOCIATION ELECTS OFFICERS

The Sikeston Building and Loan Association, at a meeting Wednesday evening, elected the following officers:

I. H. Dunaway, President.

J. A. Mocabee, Vice-President.

F. H. Smith, Treasurer.

A. A. Harrison, Secretary.

The Board of Directors for the year 1922, are I. H. Dunaway, J. A. Mocabee, F. H. Smith, W. W. Hinchey, J. A. Young, L. M. Stallcup, W. E. Derris.

The year just closing was very satisfactory and while no big gains were made considerable more business was handled than the year 1920.

January 1, 1922, will open with Series 19, of the Building and Loan stock and no better investment can be made by those looking for a safe investment, and it is practically the only way the man of small means can ever hope to own a home.

Shade Trees For Highways.

A dispatch from Harrisburg brings the news that systematic planting of trees along the State Highways in forest areas is to be undertaken next year. Preference will be given roads having the smallest number of poles and wires. Whether the Highway Department or the Forestry Department is to handle the job is not stated in the dispatch; probably they will collaborate. The Forestry Department is showing an increasing disposition to consider trees as objects worthy of cultivation for their beauty alone. The department has been so busy establishing forests as a protective cover on denuded watersheds, and for the purpose of restoring Pennsylvania's fast vanishing timber production, that it has been able to give comparatively little attention to the planting of shade trees. But signs have not been lacking during the last year that it has begun to take an interest in this phase of forestry, also. For example, seedlings, which previously were issued only to those who would consent to set out a forest, or at least a good-sized grove of trees, were given out in much smaller quantities this year to persons who obviously sought nothing more than to ornament their property. Nowhere can shade trees be planted to greater advantage than along the highways. Not only will they protect wayfarers from the sun's heat in midsummer; they will beautify the roads and so encourage people to travel more. Moreover, they will hold in place the soil alongside the highways, and so tend to prevent washouts and landslides. It has been suggested, also, that trees along the highways check speeding, on the theory that a driver does not want to proceed rapidly when he is passing through a beautiful land.—Pittsburgh Sun.

At a meeting of the Ben Hur Lodge Wednesday evening, the sum of $10 was appropriated out of the treasury as part of a fund to buy Christmas presents for children whose parents are not able to do so. Miss Susie Hay will have charge of the fund. If other Lodges will make a like contribution all the little fellows will be made happy. This was certainly thoughtful of the Ben Hurs.

A. L. Daniels, probation officer was down from Benton Tuesday to look after the children of Geo. Johnson and Ewin Kennedy. Johnson has five children, the oldest 15 years of age, and he claims he is unable to support them and was intending to place them where it was believed to be unsuitable homes or places, when the officer was notified of conditions and came down to see about the matter. It was rumored that he expected to marry a young woman after he had his children cared for, but this he indignantly denied. Kennedy objected to his children being sent to a home, but he was convinced that he could not work and take care of little children, and he finally consented, but hoped to again establish a home and have his children with him.



ARE FOUND AT PLEASING

LOW PRICES

AT

The Farmers Dry Goods and Clothing Company

WE HAVE JUST WHAT YOU WANT AT WHAT YOU WANT TO PAY FOR CHRISTMAS GIFTS

SHOP NOW—WE HOLD YOUR PACKAGES

COMMITTEE MEETING AT HOTEL MARSHALL

The Democratic Committee of the Twenty-third Senatorial District met at the Hotel Marshall in Sikeston Wednesday afternoon to set the day for the county mass meetings to select delegates for the District Meeting to be held to nominate candidates for the Constitutional Convention.

Doc Brydon, holding proxy from Stoddard County, called the meeting to order, after which Judge C. D. Mitchell of Mississippi County was selected as chairman and M. V. Harris of Scott County, as secretary.

It was voted to hold a mass meeting at Benton Wednesday, December 21, at 2 p. m. to select delegates to attend the District meeting to be held at Sikeston, Wednesday, December 28, at 2 p. m., at which time candidates will be chosen to be voted for at the election to be held January 31, 1922, to represent the Democrats of the Twenty-Third Senatorial District, on preparing a new constitution for the State of Missouri.

Each county is entitled to one delegate for each 500 votes cast for Atkinson for Governor at the last general election, or fraction thereof over 250.

The District mass meeting will be held at the Chamber of Commerce rooms in Sikeston, Wednesday, December 28, at 2 p. m.

Methodist Church

Sunday School—9:30.

Preaching service—10:45—Sermon: Presiding Elder S. M. Robinson.

Junior League—2:30.

Intermediate & Senior Leagues—6:30.

Preaching service—7:3. Subject: "Vital Messages from the Prophets—Hosea".

You are cordialy invited to attend these services.

Misses Eva and Isabelle Hess delightfully surprised their sister, Miss Helen, Tuesday evening, by having the following friends in to spend the evening: Mrs. Thos. B. Mather, Miss Allie Howard, Miss Jennie Watts, Miss Mabel Barnett, Miss Effie Sellards, Miss Helen Grojean, Miss Lela Lett, Miss Helen Brucher, Miss Irma Wilson, Mrs. Veith and Mrs. Wallace Applegate.

BEN HUR LODGE ELECTS OFFICERS

At a meeting of the Ben Hur Lodge Wednesday evening, the following officers were elected:

R. E. Limbaugh, Chief.
Mrs. R. E. Limbaugh, Vice-Chief.
Mrs. Trousdale, Judge.
Mrs. F. E. Mount, Teacher.
Mrs. C. O. Scott, Captain.
Mrs. J. N. Sheppard, Guide.
James Inman, Inside Door Keeper.
J. H. Hayden, Outside Door Keeper.
Jim Wilbur, Scribe.
F. E. Mount, Keeper of Tribute.

A kitchen conveniently planned and equipped, well lighted and ventilated, saves time and labor for the housekeeper and contributes to the health and contentment of the entire family.

Put small bits of camphor gum in the bag with the silver not in general use and you will not have to stop work to clean the tarnished silver when guests are coming for a meal.

Inter-Class Declamation Contests

Sikeston High School

Tuesday Evening, Dec. 20

BAPTIST CHURCH

Silver Offering Will Be Taken

"The Shooting of Dan McGrew"
Albert Bruton

"Henry W. Grady"
Bernard East

"The Unknown Soldier"
Bill Bowman

"The Flag Day Address"
Bernard Crain

"The Count and the Wedding Guest"
Martha Gould

"The Author's Reading at Bigsby's Center"
Ruth Denman

"Pompadour Days"
Martha Gresham

"Who's Afraid"
Fanny Becker

SIKESTON MAY BE HEALTH CENTER

Four of the members of the State Health Board, Dr. Thomas Parron, Dr. I. W. Mountain, Robert Bondy and John McCutcheon, are holding meetings in different counties in Southeast Missouri this week and next week, with reference to establishing county health offices.

A meeting was held at Charleston Monday and the meeting was held here last night. Another meeting will be held at Bloomfield tomorrow and meetings in Dunklin, Pemiscot, Scott, Mississippi and Butler will follow. The meetings are being held to further the plans discussed at the joint meeting of the Southeast Missouri Agricultural Bureau, the County Courts of seven counties in Southeast Missouri and State Health officers at Sikeston last Wednesday. If four of these counties will go together and match the State Health Board, the Public Service Commission and the Rockefeller Foundation, a health center will be established at Sikeston and will serve the four counties.—Cape Sun.

LOST—A fountain pen Wednesday afternoon between the Public School and the home of J. A. Hess. Return to The Standard office.

LOST—Between Sikeston and Van-Vanduser on the McMullin road, one heavy grey blanket with a red stripe. Return to The Standard office and receive reward.

TO EXCHANGE—An 8 apartment building in a splendid Central Illinois town returning 7½ gross on a $70,000 valuation is offered in exchange for a well located and well improved Southeast Missouri farm. Are you interested? Describe fully what you have. —H. care of this office.

Rub-My-Tism for Rheumatism.

Mrs. Archie Barnett, captain of the Campfire Girls, informs The Standard, that the Campfire Girls will sing Christmas Carols on Christmas eve night from 6:00 until 7:30 o'clock. It is the custom to place a lighted candle in the window of the homes where they wish the girls to sing, but for fear that some of the homes may be overlooked, kindly call on Mrs. Barnett and she and the girls will visit your home. The singing of Christmas Carols is a beautiful custom and Mrs. Barnett is to be highly commended for carrying it out in this city this year.

JOHNNIE MALONE AGAIN IN TROUBLE

Being full of white mule and the devil, has gotten John R. Malone and the law at outs again. It seems that he went to the Jefferson Hotel, near the Frisco, and in the absence of the proprietor he caused a disturbance and so frightened the women folks that they hastened up stairs to get away. He was insulting to a young girl behind the counter and to a young married woman, who was present. He likewise exhibited and flourished a revolver and told the girl he had a pill in that gun for her and asked her if she wanted it. After a while Dr. Malone and Bill were sent for, but John refused to listen to them or accompany them. Finally he left the hotel and got into a car he was using and in which he had a woman, drove up Prosperity street and back and in making a quick turn, the door of the car flew open and a quart jar containing white mule rolled out of the car and was broken.

A State warrant containing two charges was issued for him but up to Wednesday at noon he had not been apprehended.

John's recent narrow escape from a State job in the penitentiary should have been sufficient to have satisfied most any adventurous spirit, but not so with John, hence this latest escapade. He is a dangerous person to be permitted at large and if he is not sent to the penitentiary, he should be confined in an asylum the balance of his days.

SANTA CLAUS LETTER

Santa Claus,
North Pole.
Dear Santa Claus:

I will appreciate it very much if you will bring me a walking doll, a set of dishes, a pair of Willis rollers, a black stove, kitchen cabinet, Baby Grand piano, Christmas tree, some nuts and candy.

Yours Respectfully,
LAVERNE REICHLE.

P. S. And a big doll buggy, too.

Sikeston, Mo.,
December 11, 1921.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl 8 years old and I will tell you what I want for Xmas. I want a doll that goes to sleep and a doll buggy and a little broom, a silvre pencil, and a sweater. Please don't forget my sister and all my little school friends.

Your little friend,
GLADYS IRENE HODGE.

Sikeston, Mo.,
December 14, 1921.

Dear Santa Claus:

I will tell you what I want for Christmas. I want a pair of gloves, a doll and some nuts, oranges, apples, candy, story books, some painters and bring aunt Artie some nuts, oranges and apples for Christmas.

Your little friend,
MARIE FULTON.

Sikeston, Mo.
Dec. 13, 1921.

Dear Santa Claus:

You will not be surprised to get a letter from me for I have written you before. Not from Sikeston, but from many other places. I am a little girl 8 years old, and in the fourth grade at school. I hope you find me this year. And remember I would like most anything you have. Please remember Miss Clippard, my teacher, and all the boys and girls in my room. Also my baby sister. Please fill their stockings full of good things. My Christmas tree will already be up.

Your little friend,
JOSEPHINE HUDSON.

Miss Elizabeth Hoskins, who has been visiting her mother, Mrs. J. W. Wilkins, left Thursday for her home in San Francisco, returning home via Memphis and New Orleans.

Raymond Albright gave a party December 13th, at his country home south of town. Youngsters present were: Lowell Margan, "Bus" Sitze, Standford Jones, Lynn Finley, Bill Baker, Cecil Carson, Kenneth Dye, Dale Dye, Hildreth Dill, Burl Goodpasture, George Limbaugh, Weldon McDonald, Paul Jones, Tom Moore, Daniel McCoy and Frank Miller.

MEETING OF THE WOMAN'S CLUB

The Woman's Club held their regular meeting in the Chamber of Commerce rooms Tuesday afternoon and a large attendance was present. The regular business of the Club was taken up and reports read. The treasurer reported $270 made on the rummage sale. A raising vote of thanks was given Mrs. I. H. Dunaway and Mrs. John Fisher for the efficient manner in which they conducted the sale.

A vote of thanks to M. M. Beck for courtesies extended to the Club and the Secretary was requested to write Mr. Chris Beck, thanking him for the use of his store room for the sale.

The Club voted to set aside $200 of the sum realized to be used in beautifying the High School ground, which work will be in charge of a committee, of which Mrs. L. O. Rodes is chairman.

The next meeting of the Club will be an open meeting at the Hotel Marshall, which will be a reception to the members of the Chamber of Commerce and their wives, and will be held on January 2nd, 1922 at eight o'clock. Mrs. G. W. Gould gave a full and interesting report of the Caruthersville meeting held in November and then the program in charge of Mrs. Henry Welsh was given. The program for the afternoon was "Makers of Modern Opera". After a few introductory remarks by Mrs. Welsh, Mrs. Emma Kendall gave a history of the lives of two composers and Miss Myra Tanner gave the history of the life of two and Mrs. A. C. Sikes gave a brief history of the late Carison selection form. Several operas were given on a machine, loaned by W. E. Derris, for the occasion.

The next business meeting of the Club will be January 22, in the Chamber of Commerce rooms and Mrs. M. M. Beck will be the leader.

MOST CONGRESSMEN BELONG TO CHURCH

Chicago, Ill., December 13.—That the churches are well represented in both houses of Congress is evidenced by a statement, issued by the Board of Temperance, Prohibition, and Public Morals of the Methodist Episcopal Church which recently made a survey and issued the following statement today:

Out of a total of 435 members of Congress, twenty-four are non-members, and church affiliation of ninety-eight could not be ascertained. The following are the church affiliations:

United Brethren, Mormon, Independent, Mennonite, Dutch Reformed, Evangelical have one member each. There are two Universalists. There are three members of the Quaker Church and three of the Jewish church. Five Unitarians, ten Disciples ten Lutherans; eleven Christians, eighteen Catholics, twenty-three Congregationalists, thirty-five Episcopalians, twenty-nine Baptists, fifty-six Presbyterians and ninety-nine Methodists.

In the Senate the survey showed that out of a total of ninety-six Senators the church affiliations of twenty-three was unknown and four were non-members. There was one Protestant Episcopalian, one Christian. The Lutherans, Dutch Reformed, Unitarians and Mormons all have two members each. There are six Catholics and six Baptists, seven Congregationalists, eleven Presbyterians, twelve Episcopalians and seventeen Methodists.

JAPANESE RICE POP CORN

Not the tough kind, but the kind that melts in your mouth. Ask your grocer for it.

CLAUD JOHNSON
R 3 Sikeston, Mo.

666 cures Malarial Fever.

Miss Elsie Smart expects to leave Sunday morning to spend Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Smart, of Hazen, Ark.

The State Club basketball games at the Chillicothe Business College are producing some excellent material, both boys and girls, from which will later be selected the college teams.

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A Few of the Many Items To Be Found Here:

Men's Suits	Underware
Men's Overcoats	Silk Sox
Gaberdine Coats	Wool Sox
Raincoats	Silk Hose
Boys' Suits	Linen Handkfs.
Boys' Overcoats	Initial Handkfs.
Boys' Sweaters	Silk Ties
Men's Sweaters	Knit Ties
Ladies' Sweaters	Auto Gloves
Men's Hats	Dress Gloves
Men's Caps	Traveling Bags
Boys' Hats	Bath Robes
Boys' Caps	Ladies Shoes
Silk Shirts	Men's Shoes
Wool Shirts	Children's Shoes
Madras Shirts	House Slippers
Pajamas	

The merchandise featured in this store is of the nationally known type, and reflects that character of quality always desired in gifts.

Let Us Help You With Your Christmas Shopping

Buckner-Ragsdale Store Co.

Leading Men's Store of Sikeston

SANTA CLAUS LETTERS

Santa:
Please bring me a diamond of conspicuous size—
I eagerly hanker to flaunt it
Not only to dazzle some envious eyes
But I want what I want 'cause I want it.
LAURA RUHL.

Dear Santa:
I want a pretty Ball—I do by Jinks but I don't want a Jinx.
DOC OLD.

P. S. Also please bring me a herd of Russian Wolf-hounds.

Santa Dear:
The bread "like mother makes" is mighty fine but I'm a busy lady—too busy to cook—and I want a "Bread Mixer."
EVA CARTER.

Dear St. Nicholas:
Please bring me a book on "How to Make Love Like a City Guy."
JUBE BARRETT.

Santa Dear:
Please bring me a large gilt picture frame—just like Allie Howard's got.
HAZEL STUBBS.

Dear St. Nick:
Please bring me a Frisco annual pass to Osceola, Ark.
CHRIS FRANCIS.

Santa Dear:
Please bring my Daddy a gun that will sure hit a quail.
CHARLES ALLEN COOK.

P. S. Better bring a box of salt too, maybe he can slip up on 'em.
C. A. C.

Dear Santa:
Just bring me a year's supply of gasoline for my Ford. I want to make frequent trips to Oran—but don't tell Jean Hirschberg.
"DOC" REUBER.

Dear Santa:
"Helen of Troy" in days of old
Just simply knocked the fellows cold,
Now a "Sutton" other maid of Troy
Has got my goat—oh! Joy, Oh! Joy.
Just fill her heart with love for me
And I'll be happy. Gosh! By Gee!
HEINIE HENRY.

Santa Dear:
I've always been strong for all of "Heinz's 7 varieties", but just bring me the new variety that they carry at the Farmer's Grocery.
HOWARD MORRISON.

Santan Claus:
When you get started on your trip this year
Will you do me a favor—Eh! Old Dear
Slip up to the Harrisburg High School ground
(And make sure that no one else is around)
Just wad up some paper and pour on some oil,
Then light a match and let the dern thing boil.
That will make me happy as happy can be
For they can't have any more school, you see.
"DOC" TOM McCLURE.

Dear Santa:
I'm crazy about mechanical toys and I'm wild for one of those dolls that will cry "Mama" when you put it over your shoulder. It will be fine to entertain the girls who call at the store.
GEORGE LOUGH.

Dear Santa:
That present you brought me last year—I can't "Barrett"—Bring me a nice book I'd rather "Reed".
BURNICE TANNER.

Dear Santa:
I'm sorry I changed my name the other night to Ike Tyewatter. Please bring my old name back.
OLLIE SAMS.

Dear Santa:
Last year I penned you a note
That you disregarded some way.
Did you think I live in a land too remote
To make the trip with reindeer and sleigh?
Now, please sir, refer to your last year file
And attend to my order this year.
And I'll wear an everlasting smile
Unless a wife proves too "dear".
"DOC" P. KENDALL.

Santa Dear:
If you'll just bring everything my Little Man wants, I'll be the happiest girl in town.
ELEANOR McRAE.

Dear Santa:
Please bring me a book on "How To Charm an Italian Songster."
PERSIS de CANT.

Dear Santa:
Please do this for my Xmas present—Call a railroad strike in Illinois—to last during the holidays and then freeze the Mississippi river so the boats can't run.
ALLIE HOWARD.

Dear Santa:
Please bring me a new manicure set I've worn out my old one.
CHARLES BLANTON, JR.

Dear Santa:
Please bring me lots and lots of quails so I can supply all these young matrons who want qual for their dinner parties.
"DOC" ANTHONY.

Dear Santa:
Please don't tell where my diamond stud is and I'll not ask for a single present.
RUSKIN McCOY.

The Story of Our States

By JONATHAN BRACE

XVIII.—LOUISIANA

THE discovery of Louisiana dates back to the beginning of the Sixteenth century, when the Spanish explorers, Alvarez de Pineda and De Soto sailed up the Mississippi. In 1682 La Salle descended the Mississippi and took possession of the entire valley in the name of the French king, Louis XIV. In his honor this region was named Louisiana. French colonies soon sprang up, including New Orleans, which was founded in 1718.

An interesting chapter of Louisiana was the formation of the Company of the West by a financial schemer named John Law. This company ostensibly was to exploit the new colony and held out to speculators an alluring get-rich-quick scheme.

In 1763 France ceded Louisiana east of the Mississippi to England, and, by secret treaty, New Orleans and the western territory went to Spain. Spanish rule proved unendurable to the inhabitants and the restrictions over the navigation of the Mississippi led to hostilities between the northern American settlements and Spain. This situation, however, was brought to a peaceful termination by Spain relinquishing her rights to this territory to France and the purchase in 1803 by the United States from France of the entire Louisiana territory.

The southern portion of this acquisition was organized as the territory of Orleans and in 1812 was admitted as the eighteenth state of the Union, with an area of 48,506 square miles. As the Louisiana coat-of-arms has a pelican in its center, the state is often called the Pelican State.

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Public Auction

Wed. Dec. 21, 1921

At my place, the Hollingsworth Farm, 5 miles Southeast of Sikeston, I will sell the following ive stock and farming impments:

Several head of work stock, milch cows, sows and pigs, Massey-Harris binder, Deering mower, Deering corn planter, wheat drill, hay buck, plows, cultivators, farm wagons, harness and many other miscellaneous articles too numerous too mention.

TERMS—Cash under tend dollars, 12 months time on sums over $10.00. Six per cent off for cash. Good note with 8 per cent interest.

Sale Starts at 10:00 A. M.

Lunch Will Be Served On the Grounds.

THOS. SUTTON

COL. LOUIS JONES, Auctioneer

FARM WANTED

In Southeast Missouri in exchange for this desirable 476.76 acre stock and grain farm in the best blue grass section of Pike County, Mo., (100 mi. north of St. Louis) and close to a splendid county seat town affording good market and shipping facilities. Two shipping points within ½ mile of place. About 200 acres of this is fine bottom land, balance gently rolling and will set to blue grass. Over seven miles woven wire fencing. Two large barns, one of which is said to be the best in the county. Good 5-room cottage. Numerous other outbuildings. This farm is in a neighborhood of well improved farms and is in a good state of cultivation. School house on corner of farm. Hard surfaced State Highway through place. We regard this as a farm that will pay big dividends on the investment. The price on this farm is right. No encumbrance and want to exchange for land in Southeast Missouri at least partially developed and improved. Will assume some encumbrance if price is right.

C. F. BRUTON

Real Estate & Invst. Co., Sikeston,

A complete line of house slippers for all.—Pinnell Store Co.

J. GOLDSTEIN,

Purchaser of Scrap Iron Old Metal of All Kinds Rags, Feathers and Rubber

Located in J. A. Matthews' Wagon Yard

Cash paid for everything

GLASSES



If I have sold you glasses that are not giving entire satisfaction, bring 'em back to me.

DR. LONG

Eye Specialist Kready Bldg.

Story of the Sponge

Few persons realize that the "raw" sponge is very different from the toilet variety familiar to all.

Before 1914 the finest qualities and largest quantities of our sponges came from the Mediterranean—the chief grounds being off the Greek and Turkish islands—thence through the Dardanelles to the Sea of Marmora, and so along the coast of Asiatic Turkey and Syria to Cyprus.

Here the sponges are brought up by divers, either stripped or attired in full diving costume.

When sponges first reach the surface they present a fleshy-looking appearance, the substance being covered with a firm skin, or membrane, in which apertures appear and disappear seemingly at the animal's will.

When cut, the interior is somewhat like raw meat in appearance, being intersected by numerous canals and cavities. The cavities are filled with a sticky fluid of greyish-brown color, termed "milk".

This is the only living portion of the animal, and must needs be removed immediately; otherwise putrefaction speedily sets in and destroys the elastic nature of the sponge.

If this operation is not performed on board before the vessel reaches shore, the filled sponge bags are dispatched with all speed to the gathering grounds. There the fluid is removed and various cleaning and bleaching processes transform the raw sponge into a beautiful lemon-yellow color.

This done, the sponges pass to other hands for trimming to shape, and later they go to the graders, who sort them according to quality and size. The next process is that of drying, after which they are weighed.

Bankers of Scott County held their regular monthly meeting at Commerce Wednesday evening. The Bank of Commerce being the host for the evening. The following banks of Sikeston were represented by the Bank of Sikeston, Lacy Allard; Citizens Bank, Charles and Girard Dover; Peoples Bank, R. F. and Paul Anderson. About thirty-five were in attendance and a very enjoyable and profitable evening was enjoyed by all.

The Masonic lodge held their election of officers at their last meeting with the following officers elected:

A. A. Harrison, Worshipful Master.
A. C. Barrett, Senior Warden.
E. E. Arthur, Junior Warden.
R. F. Anderson, Treasurer.
H. C. Young, Secretary.
A. C. Johnson, Tiler.

The other places to be filled by appointment and will be announced at the time of the installation of the officers.

Lutheran services Sunday evening at 7 p. m. at the City Hall.

ROOM AND BOARD—In modern home at $8 per week.—Mrs. Leroy Moore, 335 Gladys Street. 3t

The Eastern Sar held their regular election of officers and a complete list will appear in Tuesday's Standard.

Here They Are!

MEN'S WATCHES AND ALARM CLOCKS

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SIKESTON, MO.



Announcing

Poland China Hog Sale

Tuesday, February 14, 1922

40 Head Bred Sows and Gilts 40

HERD BOARS

Col. Pickett The Son of Pan Julius Caesar

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TOILET SETS

JEWELRY
Gifts That Last

HEAVY MOVEMENT OF GRAIN AT BUFFALO'S LAKE PORT

Buffalo, N. Y., Dec. 13.—Nearly a quarter of a billion bushels of grain have been received by lake and rail thus far this season, indicating a high record for 10 years of grain in the history of the port.

Every elevator on the water front is full, and 54 freightres are moored in the outer harbor with 23,000,000 bushels of grain in their holds. Some of the grain afloat will be moved on to the seaboard by rail before the harbor freezes, but much will be held aboard until spring.

Up to the present 179,649,000 bushels of grain—wheat, corn, oats, barley and rye—have been elevated from lake steamers—28,000,000 are afloat in the harbor; the rail movement is estimated at 35,000,000 bushels, and an additional 15,000,000 bushels are expected from upper lake ports before the season closes, a total of 252,649,000 bushels.

Get the little girl one of those kid boy dolls.—Pinnell Store Co.

Pumpkins make a useful supplement to the livestock ration. The field pumpkin contains about 10 per cent of dry matter and is chiefly of value because of its succulence. Hogs relish pumpkins and the seed in the pumpkins act as a worm expeller and put the digestive tract of the hog in good condition. The seeds should never be removed when feeding pumpkins because they are rich in proteins and oil. Raw pumpkins have proven to be equally as satisfactory for feeding to hogs as are the cooked ones.

Laws Allowing Combinations of Farmers To Be Advocated.

Washington, Dec. 13.—Legislation to legalize co-operative combinations of farmers for marketing and distribution of their products, and to provide for agricultural attaches at American consulates in foreign countries, will be recommended by the joint Congressional Commission of Agricultural Inquiry, according to Chairman Anderson, who announced today that part of the commission's report would be made public before the end of the month.

The report, he said, also will stress the need for more adequate wholesale terminal facilities.

Findings of the commission, according to present plans, will be divided into four reports, the first to deal with the agricultural crisis and its causes, to be followed by reports relating to credit, to be followed by reports relating to credit, transportation, distribution and marketing. The commission, which was to have made a final report by the first of the year, has asked consent of Congress to submit the last of its findings by next April 15.

Represented in the complete report of the commission, M. R. Anderson said, will be the labor of 200 committees and 3000 co-operators, as well as th ework involved in answering approximately 20,000,000 questions set forth in 25,000 questionnaires.

Lyman Gross is the happy father of a baby girl that arrived at his home Sunday morning. Little Eagle and her mother are doing nicely.

Protecting The Mails.

Gov. Blaine of Wisconsin has asked Postmaster-General Hays to take the marine guards off the trains in that State and has served Secretary of the Navy Denby with a requisition to produce in court a marine who shot a man stealing a ride on a train. The marine though the man was a mail robber. The marines were put on the mail trains because outlawry was making the security of the mails a joke. Mail robbers were holding up trains and were looting the mails in the terminals of large cities. They were running off with hundreds of thousands of dollars. The marines were put on the mail cars with orders to shoot. They were instructed that they had to fight no matter if the robbers got the jump on them. The man shot by the marine in Wisconsine was doing an illegal thing in boarding the train. The marine thought he was trying to commit a criminal act, the very act against which he was on guard. He is answerable to the authority which gave him his orders. The Navy Department may have to adjust the case with the civil authorities and reconcile civil and military justice, but Mr. Hays, cannot be influenced by parochial protests against the method used to safeguard the mails. Gov. Blaine is not responsible for the security of the mails. The Federal Government is. The Federal Government cannot train its soldiers to expect that if they obey orders they will land in a county jail. It cannot train outlaws to look for easy money every time they see a mail bag.--Chicago Tribune

FURTHER ARRESTS IN BENTON BURGLARY

Benton, Mo. Dec. 12.—Several more arrests are expected as a result of the investigation following the burglarizing of the Frisco freight depot here on September 25 last. Confessions are said to have been obtained from some of those now in custody.

Three women and five men are now held. Those under arrest are: Mabel Hill, Ella Muir, Maggie Skyles, all of Chaffee; W. O. Gilmer, brakeman, of Oran; Eli Cable, engineer, Oran; Wm. Muir, Rich Skles and Hillman Hill of Chaffee. Several cases of shoes were taken. It is reported that part of the loot was found in the homes of some of those arrested.—Cape Sun.

Breed from a lengthy boar and lengthy sows, and try to get depth with the length. There are too many short, overfat bacon pigs on the market already. At any rate don't mate two short ones if you want your job to be profitable.

C. L. Blanton & Sons, Sikeston, Mo., have a litter by The Dynamo which they believe will set the tongues of breeders a wagging. Three of the pigs in this litter were shown at the Southeast Missouri District Fair recently and were awarded first money with 21 entries. "We could have been in the money with three more pigs from this same litter", write Blanton & Sons, "but they will be in our offering which will be sold in February bred to Col. Pickett."—Poland China Journal.

Hyde Names Another Judge.

Jefferson City, Mo., December 12.—Governor Hyde today appointed Xenophon Caverno of New Madrid as Presiding Judge of the County Court of New Madrid County, vice L. M. Sarff, resigned.

There will no longer be any trouble in distinguishing the Twins of the Bear Ford community, as one of them had an ear bitten off while engaged in a free-for-all fight at a dance at the Wild Rose school house Saturday night.

Clarence Bruton held a sale at Sikeston, Mo., in November and made an average of $56. He writes me this is the smallest average he ever made. If Mr. Bruton will read all the sale reports of Iowa, Missouri, Indiana and other states he won't find many men made a better average this year. He will hold a bred-sow sale in January and at the time he will feature his Checkers boar. Here is a Checkers boar all will like, to my mind he is the best Checkers boar living. I, however, haven't seen them all. But the man that has a better boar by Checkers than Clarence Bruton of Sikeston has the best one. This boar was raised by Elmer Gardhouse and the entire litter was the best I saw last summer. Mr. Bruton's herd now embraces the utmost in breeding and individual merit, and includes wonderful sows by Liberator, The Clansman, The Pilot, Long Joe, Masterpiece, The Dynamo, Col. Pickett and some great gilts by his own boars, Royal Clansman and Big Evolution.—Poland China Journal.

BOAD OF HEALTH EXTENDS TIME FOR VACCINATION

Jefferson City, Mo., December 12.—The State Board of Health has delayed the going into effect of a resolution adopted at a meeting of the board in St. Louis, December 9, requiring persons traveling on railroad trains or street railways outside of the corporate limits of cities, to present evidence of having been vaccinated within the past three years. The original resolution was made effective December 15. The date has now been extended until December 22, and meantime the board will hold a meeting at Kansas City, December 20.

Miss Mary Gill was a visitor in Parma this week and was a guest at a dinner party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Pierce.

After marketing a carload of 8-months-old hogs at Kansas City at the top price in this class, Leon Turner, Kingsville, Mo., remarked that hogs are made at a far younger age now than years ago. "These hogs but 8 months old weighed 241 pounds," said Mr. Turner, as he told of the big improvement in hog raising. "We are using better breeding stock now, and are devoting more attention to our hogs at present. In my neighborhood vaccination is very general, and seldom do we hear of a case of hog cholera. This care and better breeding stock has resulted in the making of a good marketable hog at the age of 8 months, instead of carrying our hogs along until they are over a year old. This change has proven a great advantage to the farmer."

PECK TO BE NOMINATED REPEATEDLY TILL ACCEPTED

Washington, Decmeber 13.—Refusal by the Senate to confirm the nomination of Maj. R. J. Peck for promotion to the grade of Lieutenant Colonel has been interpreted by the War Department in a manner which calls for repeated submissions of the nomination to the Senate on each occasion of a vacancy in the grade of Lieutenant Colonel.

A statement issued today by the War Department explaining its interpretation of the Senate's action says that body had in effect taken disciplinary action on Maj. Peck, and therefore should have the opportnity to decide if such action should continue or be concluded.

"The nomination of Maj. Peck for promotion", the statement says, "will, therefore, be submitted to the Senate for confirmation to fill the first vacancy in the grade of Lieutenant Colonel arising subsequent to the date of the Senate's action."

The nomination of Maj. Peck, who served with the Thirty-fifth (Kansas-Missouri) Division, with the rank of Brigadier General was rejected by the Senate at the recent extra session after a long fight, led by the Kansas and Missouri Senators, who pressed charges that the Major, while in France with the division, made remarks derogatory to the division. The fight over the nomination held up the promotion of a number of junior officers.

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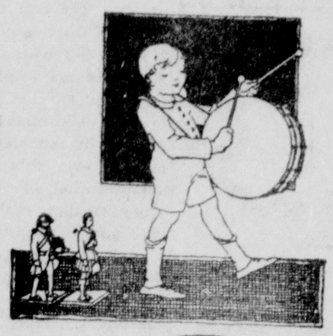


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Deliberate Obstruction

The referendum devised by William Hirth, head of the so-called "Missouri Farmers' Association", to obstruct the operation of the new road law for at least a year is a direct and unprovoked blow in the race of progress.

The people and the State Legislature have spoken decisively and repeatedly in favor of a system of permanent and adequate roads spread equitably over the State. For this purpose the people in 1920 voted for a bond issue of $60,000,000. Last August they reaffirmed this expression of their will by voting an amendment permitting the payment of interest on the bonds from the automobile license fund.

The Legislature, after passing the road law at its regular session, not without concession to the dirt-roads minority, voted at its special session a few weeks ago to advance the date of issuance of the bonds from March, 1923, to March, 1922—for two reasons: one to hasten roads construction, the other to afford work to the unemployed.

Mr. Hirth cannot hope permanently to defeat this project of the people. All he can do is to obstruct and delay it. He will do this by invoking the referendum for a purpose for which it was never intended. The purpose of the referendum is to afford the voters of the State an appeal from the action of an unrepresentative Legislature. As shown by the two expressions of the popular will already mentioned the Legislature on this subject is not unrepresentative. It has enacted the will of the people, and now Mr. Hirth proposes, by the signature of 5 per cent of the voters in each of two-thirds of the congressional districts of the State, to nullify for the period of a year the people's expressed will.

Is it the interest of the farmer as a class that Mr. Hirth's raid on good roads is conceived? Obviously, the business, pleasure, poperty values, the very life, of the farmer are more dependent on permanent, all-year roads than the corresponding interests of the city dweller.

By the new road law all these purposes of the farmer are served. And who pays the bill? The bonds to build the roads are to be retired by a motor license tax, and the Secretary of State's record from November, 1920, to June, 1921, shows that $994,163, or nearly one-half, of the total of $2,138,1600 of automobile license receipts for the period were paid by residents of the seven leading cities of the State and the counties in which they are located. It is estimated from this record, moreover, that 85 per cent of the license receipts are paid from cities and towns of 1000 population and over.

Can it be that farmers will take any part in defeating a proposition of which they are the chief beneficiaries and for which another class foots most of the bills? Does the farmer, under the dirt-roads leadership of William Hirth, realize that he is hamstringing his own interests? A signature on the Hirth referendum petitions is a signature opposed to the welfare of the farmer and to the progress of the State.—Post-Dispatch.

Southern Blood.

This is a phrase which has been a great deal used without any particular meaning. As a rule it comes tumbling from the lips of some politician who with senseless sound and fury attempts to whoop 'em up by making them believe they are the best people on earth and he is the best man on earth to represent them. In other words the phrase is usually bunk. Southern blood is human blood and when it ceases to be so, it is unworthy blood. Hot blooded, and warm blooded, etc., means absolutely nothing except a rather awkward way of expressing social predisposition. For example, who would differentiate between the puritans of Plymouth Rock and the cavaliers of Jamestown? All Englishmen, and all having blood of the same thermal quality. It is merely a phrase.

We say this having fully in mind those generous and lovable qualities which the phrase is sometimes used to describe. There is a great deal that is admirable, a great deal that is noble in the south, and on the other hand there is much to be regretted. No section of America may properly speak of northern, southern, eastern or wester blood. It is all American blood. The original leaven of Anglo Saxon and Scotch Irish leavens the whole lump, no matter how small the lump of leaven may be, it is there a power within the mass, absolutely controlling and giving it character.

Southern blood! The text preceding more rhodomontade and bunk than any we know. And let it be understood right here that we who write are proudly of the south by birth, tradition, education and habitation. But while we are proud of the south we are not proud of all of its folly, nor even all of its foibles. We recognize the principle of growth and development, as the controlling and only worthy principle of the world. We grow tired of seeing these chauvinistic ideas which someone now and than flaunts in the face of the world as something sacred. As a matter of fact they are dead and should be buried, and their memory treated with the reverence due the dead. Remembered with pride and venerated as among our stately traditions.

The ghastly folly of such stuff never received more emphatic illustration than when Senator Watson of Georgia, excused a violent and indecent eruption of temper before a dignified committee by speaking of his southern blood. This committee was investigating charges recklessly made by this irresponsible senator, and because of the expression on the face of any army officer present, this doughty warrior of the tongue offered to "slap his face for two pennies". It is not recorded that anyone cared to see "two penny worth" of face slapping. And this undisciplined creature excused himself by pleading the ardent fire of his southern blood. This man who in his unbalanced fury has attacked everything from the sacred home of God on earth, His church, to every fundamental principle of private and public life; who has let his tongue get busy with the honor of the American army and the honor of the army nurses, who has never been consistently true to any single principle of politics since he forced himself into public life, now excuses his unmannerly violence by setting up his southern blood.

The south has had much to bear. It passed through destruction and reconstruction. It bore uncomplainingly its decades of post-war evils. It has struggled bravely in the face of the legend of defeat, emerging triumphant and patriotic at the summons to national defense in 1898 and 1917. It has had yellow fever, cholera, influenza and floods, but never has it been cursed with so uncalled for disaster as the nativity of this ridiculous Watson. We have borne everything tragic with dignity and fortitude. It is asking too much that we be made ridiculous by having this cipher in the worlds sum plead southern blood!

How Georgia, which has produced such men as Robert Toombs, Ben Hill, Alexander H. Stephens and the incomparable John B. Gordon, and L. Q. C. Lamar could have stopped to acclaim this man we cannot understand.—Commercial Appeal.

The Maternity Law.

Among the measures which attracted wide attention was the so-called Sheppard-Towner maternity bill, which the President signed Wednesday. This law, designed to disseminate information regarding maternity with the view to eliminating evils resulting from improper hygiene, was sponsored by women's organizations throughout the country and was enacted only after a hard fight, many members of the House and Senate opposing it.

Senator Morris Sheppard of Texas, the author, tells how the law will operate and what it is designed to accomplish, as follows:

Under this act Federal and State governments will co-operate in making available for mothers and infants instruction in the hygiene of maternity and infancy. It developed in the hearing on this measure before congresional committees that nearly 18,000 mothers and nearly 200,000 infants under one year of age are perishing every year in the United States from causes most of which could be removed by proper instruction and information. It developed further that practically three-fourths of all women dying from causes connected with child-birth in the United States perish from two diseases which could almost always be prevented by possession of proper knowledge; that many who do not die are permanently invalided from causes mostly preventable through proper information.

The object of the maternity act is to convey this information to the mothers of America to make life safer for them and their offspring, to prevent the present enormous waste of the lives of mothers and children in the United States. This information will be made available through consultation centers supervised by public health nurses and reputable physicians and through extension courses by qualified lecturers from approved educational institutions, thru the dissemination of the results of investigations by the Children's Buureau of the Department of Labor bor and other suitable methods.

The act will be administered under the general supervision of the children's bureau in connection with a national Advisory Committee composed of the head of the children's bureau, the head of the Public Health Service and the United States Commissioner of Education. The active administration of the law will rest with the State agencies and the local centers, the authority of the Federal Government being limited to approval or disapproval of plans submitted by States accepting the act, to the issuance of Federal allotments, or their withdrawal if a State should cease to observe the spirit of the act, all decisions in this regard being subject however, to appeal to the President of the United States.

In other words, the Federal authorities under the act have only such authority as will insure the expediture of Federal funds in the manner intended by Congress. Every State accepting the act and complying with its provisions gets $10,000 the first year, and $5000 for four succeeding years, regardless of any appropriation of its own, and, in addition, each year that approportion of approximately $1,000,000, which its population bears to the population of the Union provided its Legislature appropriates an equal sum.

The act contains no compulsion of any kind on states or individuals. The entry into any home over the objection of the parent is specifically prohibited. The life of the act is limited to five years. It is the hope and belief of those who have sponsored the act that its usefulness will have been so thoroughly demonstrated long befor the expiration of five years that it will be made a permanent policy of the Republic

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Gape Allsup got a job at a saw-mill over near Bear Ford and stuck to the job only one day. Gape says he has always imagined he would like to work at a saw-mill and now he can turn his imaginations into other channels.

POLITICAL LETTER FROM WASHINGTON

By Wallace Bassford

Washington, D. C.—The President still closely imitating his predecessor, appeared in person before the joint assemblage of Congress and delivered his message, reading from the manuscript. This had never been done since the days of Jefferson until President Wilson began it. However, the concensus of opinion around the chamber, after the reading, was that t had fallen flat—was heavy and uninteresting. Senator Bob LaFollette's remark, "It sounds like he wrote it himself", will not bring that insurgent into better standing at the White House when the President hears of it. Of course, it caused a laugh, for everyone in the inner circles about the Capitol had heard the gossip about how ex-Senator George Sutherland of Utah was considerate relieving the President of the somewhat onerous task of writing his speeches. Color has been lent to the story by the long sojourn of the former Senator at Marion while the campaign was on, together with his trips with the nominee. Now the Senator is spending practically all his time in Washington, where nice pieces of patronage find their way into his hands. For instance, he receives $5,000 per year from the Shipping Board to furnish opinions "when desired". He was also placed on the board to receive the various properties of the packers recently dismembered by law. The Senator is noted for the grace with which he wields the typewriter.

The Democrats thought they had it firmly imbedded in the law that preference in appointments in the Governmental service should be given to men who served in the World War, not merely as an appreciation of their patriotic service but to aid in compensating for business disadvantages suffered through their absence from their accustomed walk of life. President Wilson approved the law with his signature and upheld it in practice, as well as the civil service law providing for the selection of the person making the highest rating in the examination. Almost as soon as Mr. Harding became President he issued an order rendering it unnecessary to name the person making the highest rating, and then proceeded, through his subordinates, to put the law as to former service men in the discard. Numerous cases have occurred where the former service man was refused the appointment though he had shown a higher rating in the examination than the one receiving the appointment. One of these cases occurred in the Congressional bailiwick of Mr. Flood of Virginia. At the town of Bremo Bluff, a vacancy was to be filled in the rural carrier service and an examination was held under the Civil Service law, in which a man named Seay, who fought in France, made the grade of 85.40, but a man named Glass, a Republican who had devoted his time to politics while Seay was in France, making a grade of 79.50, got the job. Mr. Flood took up the cudgels for the ex-soldier, but the Fourth Assistant Postmaster General informed him that he had information tending to show that Glass was the better fitted for the work. Of course this merely meant that the Republican boss or "referee" had named Glass. Mr. Flood, thinking that a man who could round up German soldiers in the Argonne could handle the rural route job, wrote to the Fourth Assistant, concluding with this paragraph:

"I want to say to you frankly that the only conclusion I can reach is that Glass was appointed because he was a Republican and Seay a Democrat. Under this Republican administration we may have to submit to the disregard of their rights, but we do not intend to submit quietly."

Only a year or so ago the Republicans were talking of impeaching President Wilson for refusing to abrogate thirty-odd commercial treaties at the command of the Republican Congress in the Jones Bill. President Harding said in his message that it would cause a highly chaotic conditin to abrogate them. Another vindication of the Democratic President.

Congressman Wood of Indiana is a tall, spare, clean-shaven man of good ability—one of the Republican leaders in the House. If he isn't an elder in the church, he at least looks like one, but he used a very amphatic word in the House the other day, and when his remarks were handed him for revision he didn't change a letter in them. Here it is: "I am only speaking the truth when I say the people of this country employed in every vocation and in every character of business are giving this Congress hell. They are doing it because we have done nothing to stimulate business. They are doing it because we have done nothing to give employment to the unemployed. They are doing it because we have done nothing to benefit the farmer and stimulate the price of the farmer's products."

Time surely brings its changes; in 1919 the workmen cried defiantly, "No beer, no work." Only two years, and now they have neither.

Why the Farmer Is Sore.

The city food expert of Chicago reports that the egg supply of that city is controlled by three men who are making a profit of $30,000 a day selling "fresh" eggs at 50 to 53 cents a dozen which they bought last March at 19 1-2 cents.

Thus it is shown again that the cold storage utility, which should be a boon to man, has become a boon chiefly to the profiteer, a purloiner of food from the mouths of the poor and a burden on production. The farmer gets a pittance, the storage monopolist gets a fortune and the consumer gets an inferior food at an exorbitant price.

What wonder that the farmer is organizing to control his own markets and block legislation! What wonder that we have Townleyism and Socialism! What is the next move? Manifestly, the people are not always going to stand for unconscionable plundering of food speculators. Profiteering in food by nonproducing manipulators must be stopped.—Post-Dispatch.

If you hear any voter talking in favor of dirt roads instead of hard surfaced roads try and show him the error of his way.

Monday, December 19, the Republicans of Scott County will hold mass meetings in the townships of the county to select delegates to attend a convention to be held in Sikeston December 27, to elect delegates to the Constitutional Convention to be voted upon January 31, 1922.

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The Standard is always sorry to hear of a man or woman getting into trouble and if it be the first offense, giving them a chance to mend their ways and make a useful citizen, but when they get into trouble a dozen times, the penitentiary is the place they should be.

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The South has been, and now is, wonderfully handicapped in the Halls of Congress by having had such asses as Ben Tillman of South Carolina, Vardeman of Mississippi and Jeff Davis of Arkansas, to represent them at Washington. The two montebanks on the boards at the present time are one Blanton of Texas, and Tom Watson of Georgia. What the South needs is level headed patriots and not rattle-brained cranks.

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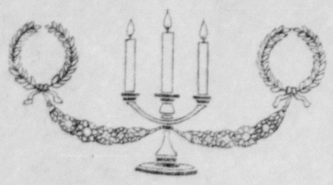
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WHAT VANISHED RACE PEOPLED SOUTH SEA

The original inhabitants of Oceanica, says the National Geographic Magazine, naturally belong to two distinct classes or divisions of the human family, beginning first of all with the Polynesians, comprising the Maoris, Samoans, Fijans and Tongans, whose racial affinities are still in dispute. In physical characteristics they are round headed, narrow nosed, of a light brown cafe-au-lait color, with round orbits and lank, black hair. They are tall and well set up.

On the other hand the second division, known to ethnologists as Melanesians, are long headed, broad nosed, of a sooty, black color, with low orbits, black, frizzly hair, and are comparatively short of stature. Intellectually they are of a lower order than the former class, some being cannibals and head hunters.

In the primitive state the Melanesian are savage and not infrequently treacherous, in contrast to the Polynesians, who, on the other hand, are altogether a superior race of people, intelligent and capable of reaching a high standard of culture, as shown by the positions they have gained in the public service in New Zealand and Hawaii.

But even the Melanesians of the present, with the exception of those comparatively few natives living in remote and isolated inland vilages, are not the same class of people as those met with in the early day of missionary enterprise, when pioneering intercourse was not always attended with freedom from danger to the white trade, recruiter of labor or planter. Now it is an easy matter to land on any of the islands and do business with the natives without risk of hostile attack. The Pollynesian of today is in point of fact a keen trader and fully alive to the advantages of western civilization.

As to the origin of these Pacific islanders, opinions differ, it being held by some authorities that they have been allied to various races, including the Aryans, the American aborigines and the Paupans.

In the writer's view, there can be no doubt that the islands of Polynesia were originally peopled by Phoenicians, whose migratory influence extended to the coast of Peru. This theory is strongly supported by the presence of the numerous cyclopean monuments, huge monolithic statues, paved avenues, and ramparts of walls of basaltic blocks over thirty feet in length, brought from great distances on Eastre Island and in the Carolines. It is evident that none of the present races could erect such immense structures as these.

The remarkable ruins of ancient settlement in the Caroline Islands are one of the mysteries of Polynesia and probably never will be solved. When it is considered that some of the stones forming the walls of these extensive ruins are of immense size and are supposed to have been brought from other islands of the group across storm-tossed channels and placed in their present position with precision and masterly skill, it is apparent that all this could not have been done by people akin to the present inhabitants, but must have been the handiwork of skilled craftsmen similar to the builders of the ancient ruins in Peru and Mexico and perhaps, also, Africa.

If this view be accepted as reasonably sound, we may assume that Polynesia formerly was the home of a civilization that has long since disappeared and become extinct, leaving imperishable monuments of skilled craftsmanship on Easter Island and the Carolines, or else the islanders are a decadent people.

Be this as it may, the fact remains that these ruins are a mystery to the present inhabitants of the Pacific Islands, who have no knowledge of the art of building in stone and are ignorant of architecture, apart from their own primitive huts.

Even native tradition is singularly silent as to the orgn of the nhabtants and their migratory movements among the island groups.

As to the fate of the original prehistoric inhabitants, who left such indelible traces of a higher order of civilization behind them as exists in the cyclopean ruins of the Carolines, we have no means of knowing, and mere conjecture can help but little. Whether they were overwhelmed by some mighty and widespread cataclysm or exterminated by epidemic disease will probably never be known.

It is possible these ruins may have had their origin in some migratory wave sweeping across the Pacific from the shores of Asia to the coast of South America? Had this been the case, we should expect to find some marked traces of Asiatic blood in the present inhabitants; but instead of this the dark Melanesians bear greater resemblance to the Papuans, while, next to the Patagonians, the Polynesians are the tallest people on the globe and are allied to the Maoris of New Zealand.

Give us you order for fine juicy beef roast.—Sellards Meat Market, Phone 48.

It is a fallacy among stockbreeders, and yet a very common one, that almost anything will do to breed from. Too much stress cannot be laid on the fact that in every class of stock both sire and dam should be as typical of the breed they represent as possible.

There is a big demand now in the towns of South Missouri for corks that will fit soda pop bottles, by bootleggers to house their supply of white mule that they retail in the country. In one of the largest towns of South Missouri one of the bottling plants recently was compelled to order a car load of bottles because so many they had were stolen. Fruit jars are not so popular with bootleggers. It hurts a person's nose to drink from a fruit jar and a sore nose is a sure sign of a bootlegger's customer.—Howell County Gazette.

Christmas Shopping List

We offer you nothing of the temporary, wotthless articles that give pleasure only for the moment, but we do have a vast array of good, sensible articles that will make gifts of the better sort and will give delight for many days after the Holidays are past.



Here are a few of the many things we have for you:

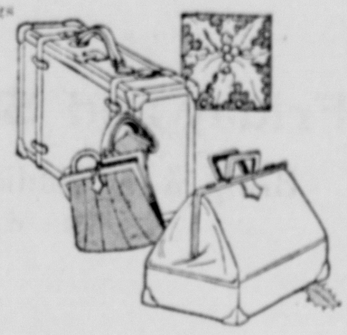
Ladies' Waists.
Ladies' Gowns.
Ladies' Undergarments.
Ladies' Blouses.
Ladies' Gloves.
Ladies Nightgowns.
Ladies' Handkerchiefs—
Men's and Boys' Handkerchiefs—
Plain,
Fancy,
Linen,
Initial and
Embroidered.

Ladies' Neckwear.
Ladies' Combs.
Ladies' Hand Bags.
Ladies' Traveling Bags.
Ladies' Dresses.
Ladies' Skirts.
Ladies' Coats.
Ladies' Pins.

Ladies' Hosiery
Black and
All Colors,
Lisle,
Silk,
Cotton,
In Plain and
Fancy Designs.

Men's and Boys' Hose—
Cotton,
Lisle,
Silk,
Black and
All Colors.

Men's and Boys' Suspenders.
Men's Traveling Bags.
Men's and Boys' Pocketbooks.
Men's and Boys' Garters.
Men's and Boys' Belts.



For the men folk our stock is no less complete. The man or boy whose gift is purchased at our store will be delighted and will be truly grateful for the thoughtfulness of the giver. Here are a few suggestions:



Men's and Boys' Ties.
Men's and Boys' Collars.
Men's and Boys' Hats.
Men's and Boys' Hats.
Men's and Boys' Caps.
Men's and Boys' Gloves.
Men's and Boys' Mufflers.

Men's and Boys' Shirts—
Flannel,
Plain and
Dress.



Your Christmas Feet Should Be Well Shod

Shoes of every make and at every price are offered you at this store, from the low priced sturdy farm shoe to the highest grade shoe for social purposes. Every shoe you buy spells a genuine bargain, and every dollar you spend gets you a full dollar's worth of shoe. There are no "expensive" shoes sold here. A high price means an even higher quality, and a proportionately longer and better service. It is the only way to buy shoes. Come in and look them over.

"The Bostonian, Famous Shoes for Men" *"The Queen Quality" for Women*

These are only a few of the many things we have to show you. If you are undecided as to your gift-giving, come to our store and let us help you to make selections that will please both you and the one you wish to remember.

Citizens Store Company

RICE FROM BEGLEY FARMS SELLS FOR $1 PER BUSHEL

Poplar Bluff, Mo., Dec. 12.—A price of $1 a bushel was paid for 20,000 bushels of rice by the Empire Mills of New Orleans at a sale of that crop from the farms of George Begley, Jr., near here. The crop was grown on 400 acres. D. H. Doan, trustee of the Begley estate, made the sale, according to announcements here.

The third quarterly live stock survey of Missouri shows that Missouri farmers now have 2,898,000 cattle, 898,000 horses, 410,000 mules, 4,400,000 hogs and 1,432,000 sheep.

Rough handling of the hog before killing may cause bruises in the meat which will lead to spoiling. Careful handling of animals at butchering time is both humane and profitable.

Dag Smith says if times do not get better and food and clothing a little more plentiful the 1930 government census is going to show at least one person less in Hogville unless the census enumerators go over to the Petunia Ridge graveyard to count him.

To insure the purity of table mustard it can be made at home. Moisten four tablespoonfuls of dry mustard with two teaspoonfuls of salad oil. Add one teaspoonful of salt, one of pepper, two teaspoonful sugar and sufficient vinegar to form a paste. Beat vigorously five minutes.

Diagnosed As Referendumitis.

Gov. Hyde's view of those members of the Missouri Farmers' Association who are said to be planning a referendum holdup of the new law making it possible to sell road bonds next spring is that they will assume a "cruel responsibility" if they succeed. What it was designed to accomplish under this law was to make a beginning possible on the $60,000,000 state road program one year earlier than was authorized under the former law. The fact that such beginning would make it possible to complete the program by that much the earlier and give the public an additional year's use of the roads was alone sufficient to justify its passage. But other reasons were found in the unemployment situation. The law provides work for thousands of men next summer. That many farmers with their teams and wagons would have employment on profitable terms during a time of stress in the rural districts was one of the ends particularly sought in its enactment.

The paradox of the farmers themselves preparing an action which will cause a year's delay is an unpleasant surprise. It was supposed that prior explanations had brought all interests into agreement on the wisdom of the law. Only a misunderstanding of the facts can cause any apprehensions as to projects under the old road law. The astonishing increase in the number of motor vehicles in the state has been such that after the interest on any bonds issued next year is subtracted, the amount of the license fee fund remaining will still stand at a figure as great as when the old road law was passed. The fund will be ample to pay bond interest under the new program and also the cost of pending projects under the old program.

The plan of Farmers' Association members is puzzling, unless resort to the referendum has become a habit in Missouri so inveterate that they have lapsed into it unconsciously. Missouri assuredly is suffering from acute referendumitis.—Globe-Democrat.

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666 quickly relieves a cold.

Thieves broke into a car of feed on the Frisco tracks Monday night and carried away a quantity of feed.

Peach stains will disappear if the spot is wet with water and a layer of cream of tatar spread over it and the stained article is placed in the direct sunlight.

The hog has (in its wild and later domesticated state), made its home in practically every region of the world since the early day dawn of human history. The hog has many relatives in the animal household, and scientists prove his kinship to the rhinoceros, hippopotamus ,and the elephant—and maybe akin to some folks whose names "yours truly" does not at this moment dare to "remember".

Why Japan Distrusts Us.

There are two sides to every question. Let us look for a moment at Japan's. Is it not fair and reasonable to judge her by ourselves? What should we say if the Japanese charged us with planning a war against them because we are increasing our naval strength? We are building a navy for national defense. Japan is building one for precisely the seame reason. Defense against whom, you ask? Well, if you wish to know the truth, defense against the United States. For, grotesque as such an assertion as may appear to Americans, the majority of Japanese are convinced that we are deliberately trying to force a war upon them. As evidence of this, they point to the discriminatory and humiliating treatment which we have accorded to Japanese in the United States; to our opposition to Japan's legitimate ambitions on the mainland of Asia; to our blocking the insertion in the covenant of the League of Nations of a clause recognizing Japanese racial equality; to our refusal to recognize the Japanese mandate for the former German possessions in the Pacific; to our unofficial but none the less active support of China in the controversy over Shantung; to the strengthening of our naval bases at Cavite and Pearl Harbor; and finally, to the long succession of sneers, jibes and insults indulged in by American jingoes, anti-Japanese politicians and certain sections of the American press. Viewing the situation without prejudice, it seems to me that Japan has as good ground for her suspicion of us as we have for our suspicion of her.—E. Alexander Powell in Atlantic Monthly.

Diamond Tests

Is your diamond genuine? If there is any doubt in your mind the best thing is to take it to a reliable jeweler. You can, however, test the stone yourself. Here's how:

A genuine diamond immersed in a glass of water will flash and sparkle as brightly as in the air. A counterfeit gem will be almost invisible.

An imitation squeezed between two silver dollars may be crushed by the pressure of the fingers. This test, when performed by the strongest man, will not injure a diamond.

Col. Pierce of Union City, Tenn., was in Sikeston during the week. He was in this section to look after land interests in New Madrid County.

Dag Smith, who has made it a point to always get well "lickered up" during Christmas, is now wearing a disappointed look, as the Assistant Constable has been offered a reward for every moonshine still he breaks up. Dag says ordinarily the Constable would let them alone, but with a chance to make a few dollars the independent manufacturers of liquor in this section are going to have a hard time and their products will be scarce by Christmas time.

MODERN WOODEN ELECT NEW OFFICERS

Wednesday night, December 7th, the Modern Woodmen of America elected the folowing officers for the ensuing year: C. C. White, Venerable Consul, J. A. O'Hara, Worthy Advisor; P. H. Stevenson, Clerk; P. H. Gross, Banker; J. P. Gilbert, Escort; Lyman Gross, Watchman; T. M. Lewis, Sentry; Sam Potashnick, Member Board Managers, 3 years.

This is the largest fraternal society in the United States and the largest fraternal Insurance Society in the world, and it will be the effort of the new officers when installed to see that it takes its place localy. It is truly fraternal, maintains the best Sanitorium for the prevention and cure of tubercolosis in the world absolutely free to its membership, and offers the cheapest and the best life insurance obtainable.

Brings Home Strange Story.

Under the above heading the Hopkins Journal prints an interesting and strange story reported by one of the citizens of that town. John R. King had been to Chicago with a load of steers which he sold at a fair price, one that made him some money. In conclusion, the Journal says:

"Mr. King brings back a strange story from the yards—says four plain clothes men are constantly on the watch to pick up disappointed shippers who frequently topple over when they hear what their stuff sells for, frequently losing them as much as a thousand dollars a load on cattle—many are not only overcome by the blow but some attempt suicide and the plain clothes men find playing the part of guardian angel no snap."

What a startling tale to tell in these prosperous Republican times! Such a tale is fit only for the ruinous days of the Democratic periods! When guards are employed to prevent disappointed farmers and shippers from taking their own lives on account of the prices received, conditions have come to a most serious pass. Probably some of these same disappointed and ruined farmers and shippers were among those who had insisted that they wanted a change from the prosperous years preceding, but the change was different from what they expected. We know that some of the worst hurt farmers of our county are those who insisted that a change must be and did their best to bring it about. But others who differed with them have to pay the same penalty.

Most assuredly this is a very "strange story", but one which has many duplicates.—Albany Leader.

Maurice E. Frenzel, an employe of the Frisco in this city, and Miss Thelma Jenkins of Princeton, Ind., were married at the City Hall in Sikeston, Friday of last week by Justice Lescher.

GIFTS THAT WILL PLEASE

MY STOCK OF MILLINERY is complete in every detail, the styles being the latest.

Fancy W rk Gifts Will Please

Numerous articles and a variety of designs make these gifts most desirable.

I wish to call attention to the fact that my stock is as comp'ete as will be found in the state of Missouri

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Day or Night Calls Given Prompt Attention

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We take this method of notifying the public that we have a filling station in front of our gaage on Center Street, from which you can sec2ure gasoline, cylinder oil and cup grease at regular filling station prices.

Our central location makes us the most accessable of all gas stations. We ask you to take advantage of it.

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LOCAL AND PERSONAL FROM NEW MADRID

Walter M. Hartman and J. W. Baughn of Canalou were in New Madrid Wednesday.

G. C. Apple and W. R. Griffin of Morehouse were transacting business in New Madrid, Wednesday.

R. D. Ellington, Cashier of the Farmers Bank of Portageville was in New Madrid Tuesday evening.

Sheriff Ambrose Kerr, Circuit Clerk, Wm. Dawson and Frank Pierce were business visitors in Morehouse, Tuesday.

Miss Helen Wells left for her home in Malden Tuesday afternoon, having resigned her position as stenographer with the Farm Bureau.

Xenophon Caverno of Canalou was sworn in Presiding Judge of our county court Wednesday afternoon, having been appointed by Gov. Hyde, to fill the vacancy made by the resignation of L. M. Sarff.

The new school building at Risco will be dedicated Friday evening, at which time President Serena of the Teachers College of Cape Girardeau, Attorney R. F. Baynes of Parma and County P. J. Stearns will be present and make addresses.

Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Rauch, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Griffin, Mrs. W. R. Griffin, Rev. and Mrs. Doss, Mrs. Josie Hart, Mrs. J. W. Sarff, Mrs. Lilbourn Muririe and Miss Hattie Harp of Morehouse were among those who attended the Red Cross meeting at the Court House Wednesday.

The Wednesday afternoon club of last week met with W. T. Riley Tuesday evening. The substitutes were: Shap Hunter, Jr., Milton Mann, Lee Hummell and Miss Bessie Pruitt. Mrs. Augusta Pinnell was presented with a pretty boudoir cap for her successful playing, while Miss Pruitt was consoled with a mistic mit. A salad luncheon was served.

Twenty-three member of the Parma Christian Endeavor Society came to New Madrid on the early morning train last Sunday and spent the day as guests of the New Madrid Society. They attended Sunday School and the morning services at the Presybterian church. The Christian Endeavor choir furnishing the music for the Sunday School and also for the morning services of worship. In the aftrenoon at 2:3, they put on a "Model Christian Endeavor Prayer Meeting". Mr. Frank Williams of Decatur, Ill., rendered several beautiful selections on the saxaphone that were very much appreciated by the large congregation present. Dinner was served at the Presbyterian Manse to all of the visitors, being furnished by the members of the New Madrid Presbyterian Church. Those who accompanied the Society were: Mr. and Mrs. Frank Williams of Decatur, Ill., Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Lawson, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Pearce, Mrs. Harry Baynes, Mrs. C. S. Blackman, Mrs. Leila Wilson and Mrs. Nixon of Parma.

A meeting of the Red Cross local Chapter of New Madrid County was held at the Court House Wednesday afternoon, December 14th, for the purpose of reorganizing with New Madrid as headquarters. J. B. McCutcheon, a representative of the Red Cross Chapter of St. Louis was present and made a very interesting address and gave the members some very helpful information and instructions. About fifty members from the neighboring towns and villages thruout the county were present, Morehouse being the most strongly represented and who were very zealous and enthusiastic over the advancement of the Red Cross work. Officers were elected as follows: Mrs. A. O. Cook, President, New Madrid; Mrs. F. B. Rauch, Morehouse, Vice Chairman; Mrs. W. T. Royer, New Madrid, Secretary; M. F. Ehlers, New Madrid, Treasurer. A movement is on foot to procure a Red Cross nurse, which will require $3000.00 and of which $2200 has alreday been raised. An important matter brought before the members was the Rockefeller Foundation that if the County would raise $1500, that a like sum of $1500 would be donated by this Foundation to this local Chapter, to be used in a health crusade. This matter will be more widely discussed and decided upon next Friday, at which time County Court will be in session, and all the members are urged to be present.

Court Proceedings

November Term 1921, December 13.

Court met present Judges Swartz and Largent, Sheriff and Clerk.

Ordered that warrants issued to J. S. Kochtitzky, Erle B. Belden, Mabel F. Belden, I. H. & Marie A. Dunaway, Harry C. & Dorothy P. Dana, S. L. & Annie E. Truman and Laura M. Tilley, J. H. & Jennie P. Thornburn, A. C. and Mattie E. Scott, George and Louise McBride, Chas. H. and Mary Lemon, Edwin J. Faull, J. W. and Augusta M .Black be cancelled as the aforesaid parties have reached payment for R. W. in D. D. 12.

B. F. Brewington appoint J. P. Lewis Township.

Ordered that C. L. Latimer be appointed Com. Marston Spl. Rd. Dist.

L. M. Stallcup, refund in D. D. No. 1 ..... $138.99

L. M. Stallcup, refund in D. D. No. 5 ..... 207.45

Commercial Trust Co., freight and drayage on car coal..... 195.50

Jno. Clarahan, damages Cheat Walker, rd. 150.00

Jno. C. Stewart, damages Cheat Walker, Rd. 50.00

Amended report on Cheat Walker road. Aproved.

In the matter of D. D. No. 33. Application for appeal by H. H. Halleck, overruled.

In R. L. Williams, et al. road viewers per diam.

J. J. Keipel, per diem and mileage $10.50

Jno. Clarahan, per diem and miueage 10.30

Philo Le Sieur, per diem and mileage 10.30

P. J. Stearns, Supt. School, sal. for November, 1921 ..... $150.00

P. J. Stearns, Supt. School, stamps, etc. 12.65

Ordered that 50c on the $100 valuation be dropped from the tax of the Parma school District.

School loan to Columbus De Lisle et al in the sum of $1500 approved, upon the approval of Pros. Atty.

Petit Jurors: January 1922 Term Circuit Court.

Anderson—Jurors: W. O. Spell and E. P. Reed, alternates: C. P. Poindexter and Arthur W. Matson.

Big Prairie—Jurors: Grover Heath, M. H. Sutton; alternates: Roy Waters, Albert Daugherty.

Como—Jurors: Green Joiner and C. H. Post, alternate: Dave Brairien and C. L. Jewett.

East Jurors: R. J. Lavender, alternate C. A. York.

Hough—Juror: J. E. Ditto, alternate J. W. Tucker.

Le Sieur—Jurors: B. F. Scott and H. F. Hawkins, alternates: Freeman Teroy, Robe. Wrathre.

La Font—Jurors: W. F. Kimes and Chas. Hawkins, alternates: J. B. Metts and Clarence Alsobrook.

Lewis—jurors: Bud Owens and Jno. Nolan, alternates: Dave Pollock and Dutch Mitchem.

Portage—Jurors: J. C. McCrate and G. W. Sutherland, altrenates: Arthur De Lisle and G. C. Meatte.

New Madrid—Jurors: M. L. Eaves, A. F. Moore, D. B. Riley and O. A. Bowers, alternats: Wm. Oglesby, F. S. Hummel, Wm. Buesching, and William Dalton.

St. John—Jurors: Jno. Gullion, alternate: Claude Colborn.

West—Jurors: D. A. Mocabee, G. C. Apple and Sam Randolph, alternates: W. O. Mason, A. E. Mosley nad Jno. D. Barnes.

In Re. D. D. No. 29 ordered that the collector be relieved from the collection of taxes in D. D. No. 29 for the year 1921.

W. W. Largent Co. Judge per diem 5 days and milage $27.00

W. W. Largent Co. Judge per diem after hours 5.00

B. F. Swartz, Co. Judge, 3 days per diem and mileage 26.30

B. F. Swartz, Co. Judge, after hours 5.00

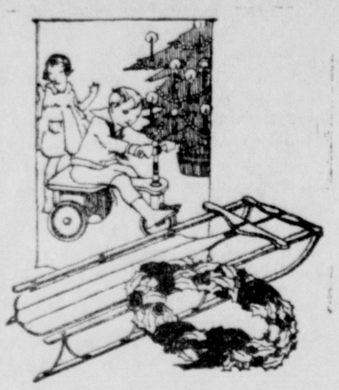
Rub-My-Tism, a pain killer.

A slight change in the time of arrival of the Missouri Pacific trains. In the morning they are due to arrive at 8:50. In the evening 4:45, is the hour of arrival.

The obnoxious odor of grease in frying pancakes will be eliminated if instead of greasing the pan a small bag is filled with salt and the pan rubbed with this. Pancakes should be served as fast as they are baked.

Dr. I. H. Dunaway, of Sikeston, was a visitor here today, having a case involving land title in the Circui Court here. Dr. Dunaway recently has been going in for road contract work in his county and states that he may become interested in future such projects down in this section.—Caruthersville Democrat-Argus.

Christine Nilsson, whose death was recently announced, was in youth of exceptional physical strength, which she assiduously developed by the practice of all manner of gymnastic and calisthenic exercises. Not long after her debut in "La Traviata" at Her Majesty's Theater in London Miss Nilsson gave practical expression to the indignation aroused in her by the importunities of an indiscreet admirer by picking him up in her shapely arms, carrying him bodily out of her drawing room to a first-floor landing, and throwing him down a whole flight of stairs, "which proceding", to quote a nonsense verse well known at the time, "did greatly amaze him."—Clark McAdams in Post-Dispatch.



HE WILL BE HERE

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Thursday, Friday and Saturday, December 22, 23 and 24

Bring in the kiddies and let them see him. They and you will enjoy seeing the toys.



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NOTICE

On December 19th I will have at my store a Salesman from a large Eastern Wholesole Jewelry House with a fine line of Diamonds, Solid Gold Jewelry, etc., in fact everything in the Jewelery line.

If you are wanting anything Special be sure and drop in on that date, **December 19th,** as you will seldom have a line of Jewelry like this to select from.

C. H. YANSON
Jeweler

Remember the date. December 19th.

Wisconsin Copper Mines Very Old.

Ancient copper and silver mines worked by a prehistoric race of aborigines from 1,000 B. C. to 1,500 A. D. have been uncovered within ten miles of the city of Superior, Wis. These unique diggings—forgotten testimony of an unchronicled period of Wisconsin history—show that there existed 3,000 years ago a civilization of which the present day Indian knows nothing.

Few residents even those ranked as the community's pioneers, know of the forgotten mines within walking distance of the downtown section of the city. Fewer still realize that hundreds of years before Lake Superior ever saw its first white explorer, the "first Americans" already had made the city a center for their crude efforts to wrest from nature treasures of precious metals hidden in the hills.

On Tischer Creek one of the early day diggings which for a while stirred the adventurous spirit of the first pioneers, still remains. In 1860, Father Genin, a French Catholic priest, picked up what appeared to be specimens of heavy copper bearing ore. It was the same type of rock which later made Michigan famous as a copper country.

News of the discovery of copper in what was later to be Superior, reached the east, where Capt. Eber Ward, later made famous by the romantic history of Silver Islet, the drowned mine of Lake Superior, organized a company for exploitation of the copper region of the north.

Although the head of the lakes already had gained a wide reputation for being the home of vast deposits of mineral wealth, the discovery of Father Genin sent vivid tales back east where the territory was reported "rich in all its borders by lead almost pure, and copper all refined in pieces as large as two fists and great rocks which had whole veins of turquoise".

The copper "all refined" was the specimens worked by the pre-historic Indians and left on the ground.

The efforts of Father Genin, however, failed to uncover the rich deposit anticipated and the explorations were abandoned.

Facts are intermingled with fiction in the early history of mining at the head of the lakes, but discoveries uncovered in the ancient burial grounds of the mound builders show conclusively that this race of people used copper long before the coming of the white man.

Lead is generally supposed to have been the only metal they knew how to extract from the ore, but they well knew the art of annealing native metals by use of fire. Proof of this is found in the ancient diggings along Lake Superior and in the mounds opened further to the south as well as accounts recorded by French Jesuits, the first Europeans to visit the lakes.

The aborigines built fires on and around huges masses of native copper too large to be removed with hammers, and after the metal had been softened portions were cut off with hatchets and stone hammers. From these pieces they fashioned malleable native metals into various weapons, ornaments and tools.

Discovery of some of the first ancient diggings are credited to Sam O. Knapp, an agent of the Minnesota Mining Company, who found excavations containing stone hammers. Masses of native copper supported by oak logs packed with earth were uncovered at a depth of eighteen feet. No less than ten wagon loads of stone hammers were found in one district.

Reliable data in mining history indicates that many of the present day copper mines were found because prehistoric diggings had uncovered huge masses of metal which were followed up and developed into modern mines.

Business Opportunity For Sale or Exchange

A modern and exceptionally well equipped Steam Laundry and Dry Cleaning plant in good North Missouri town. No competition. Real Estate and equipment could not be replaced today less than $35,000. Will sacrifice for quick deal and consider a well improved farm.—Bruton's office.

MONUMENT—Remember at my yards here I show the finished monuments in granite and marble, ready to deliver and erect, at prices ranging from $15.00 to $1500.00 each.—Moore, "The Monument Man", Poplar Bluff, Mo. 12-6-3mo.

FOR EXCHANGE—High grade stock Hardware in good Central Illinois town to exchange for well located and well improved farm in Southeast Missouri. Stock will invoice about $18,000.00.—Bruton's office.

THE JUANITA FLOUR SACK SEWING CONTEST

The manufacturer who is offering $500 in prizes for the best examples of practical articles for wear or household use, made from Juanita Flour Sack cloth, reports that the interest all over the South in this contest is tremendous.

After supplying the grocers with thousands upon thousands of entry blanks, the head offices are being deluged for new supplies of these entry blanks, because of the thousands of women who have asked for them. The same interest is shown by the ladies of this section.

It is announced that the contest will close on March 1st, and the prizes will be awarded not later than March 15th. Articles for this contest will be received up until midnight of Mrach 1st, so there is plenty of time to get in the contest yet, if you have not done so.

The manufacturer has suplied the grocers with entry blanks giving full information about the contests, and all you have to do to enter the contest is to get one of these blanks from your grocer.

The Scott County Milling Co. office force here in Sikeston is almost swamped with letters through their Southern territory asking for further information as to the contest. From Gulf Port, Miss., enough letters have been received to keep the stenographic force busy for a full week. It was surprising to the Milling Company that such interest should be taken in this contest by small girls, young ladies, matrons and grandmothers. But when you stop to think of ti these Junaita flour sacks are made of the best domestics and can be used for making articles of wear as well as fancy.

When the contest closes all articles submitted will be placed on display in their office rooms and the public will be invited to inspect same.

Our local needle-women should see to it that all of these prizes do not leave home as The Standard believes we have artists with the needle as expert as any to be found. The Juanita brand of flour cannot be surpassed anywhere and those who use it once will be satisfied with no other.

The Standard hopes to keep its readers advised as to progress of the contest from week to week until same closes.

ROOMS FOR RENT—For two or more ladies. Call 459 for information. —Mrs. Amos Buchanann.

Small improved farm wanted in exchange for modern 6-room house in Sikeston, all improvements, well located. No encumbrance. Describe fully what you have, price and amount of incumbrance, if any. Box 537, Sikeston, Mo.

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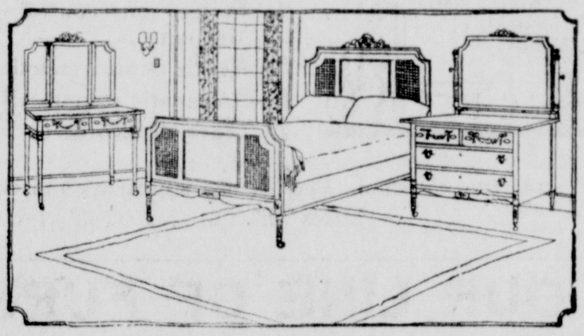
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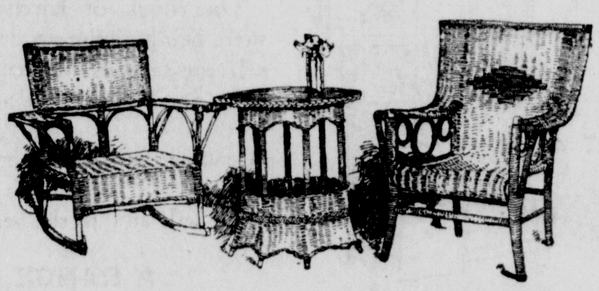
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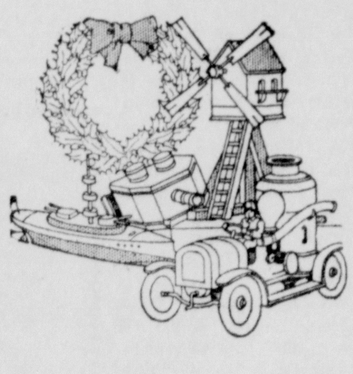
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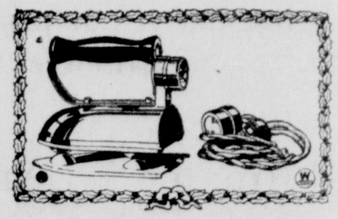
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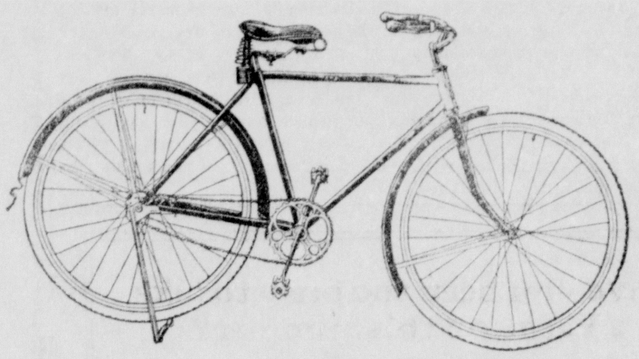


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FARM BUREABU NEWS OF SCOTT COUNTY

W. E. Foard, Agent

Some people in Scott County have been misled by an article seen in the St. Louis papers to the effect that a farmers' organization known as Missouri Farmers' Association had made the statement that they will try to prevent by referendum, the new road law, which allows for the sale of bonds this coming spring and beginning of State Road Construction at that time.

This farmers organization referred to is in no way connected with the Farm Bureau Federation in fact it is an organization that has bitterly opposed the Farm Bureaus and County Agents work from the beginning.

The Missouri Farmers Association is an organization started a few years ago by Mr. William Hirth of Columbia, Missouri, and which has made its principle growth in Central Missouri and also Southwestern Missouri. Mr. Hirth has fathered this organization and is the prime force in its being today. This organization bitterly opposed the sixth amendment when it was up last year and ever since that time it has tried to prevent the law becoming affective.

It may be remembered by a good many that the Missouri Farm Bureau Federation called a meeting in Jefferson City last spring to make recommendations concerning the expenditure of road money. Mr. Frank Emerson of Morley was Scott County's representative at this meeting.

It may also be of interest to know that one of the Highway Board recently appointed by Governor Hyde, is G. S. Connet, a farmer living in Buchanan County, who is President of his County Farm Bureau and also one of the State Farm Bureau Federation directors.

Following is a paragraph taken from an article on this subject in the November 4th issue of the Missouri Farm Bureau News: "In connection with the presentation the Missouri Farm Bureau Federation urged the governor to use his influence to speed up work on the road building program, as that would be in line with recommendations of the organization. The recommendations adopted at the Farm Bureau Convention in Jefferson City last winter were practically all written to the law that finally was passed by the legislature. A request that the work start at the earliest possible moment was contained in one of the resolutions adopted at that time.

Farm Bureau Membership Drive Progressing Nicely.

The work of signing up farmers into the Farm Bureau organization for a period of three years is progressing mighty well for the time spent at this work. E. E. Johnson of Kirksville, one of the solicitors who canvassed Scott County two years ago recently spent two weeks in Scott County holding school house meetings and signing up Farm Bureau members. The most of Mr. Johnson's work was done in the Commerce, Oran and New Hamburg communities. Mr. Johnson says he finds the attitude of the farmers more willing to support the organization that they were two years ago. From the work that has been done there is no question but that a majority of farmers of the county will line up with their organization if only given a chance to do so.

The work in the county is expected to be continued with local solicitors. Four or five farmers have already agreed to take up this work and push it until all the farmers in the county are seen.

County Agent Returns From Annual Conference.

The County Agent spent last week in Columbia, attending the annual conference of County Agents and Agricultural Extension Workers of Missouri. There are now sixty-two County Agents on the job in the State, fifteen home demonstration agents and one boys' and girls' club agent. These are the County Workers in addition there are about thirty Extension Specialists with headquarters at Columbia, who spend practically all of their time in various counties of the State.

It was thought by all present that this was by far the best conference ever held, and it seems that the extension forces and County Agents are getting some good local organizations perfected so that their work can be carried on within the county much more efficiently and economically.

One of the big things that is expected to be done in Scott County next year is to perfect community organizations which will make our work more effective.

The Farmer's Wife a Member Also

There has been little said in Scott County about the positions of the farmers wives in the Farm Bureau. The $5.00 membership dues pays a family admission including wife and children under twenty-one years of age. The farmers wife has a right to vote and just as much to say in this organization as do the men. It is hoped that this will be borne in mind when our annual meeting comes around the first of February and that women as well as men will attend this meeting and take part in it, helping to elect officers and the Executive Committee members.

Mrs. Charles Schuttler, a Southeast Missouri woman living near Farmington, is a member of the State Farm Bureau Federation and also is chairman of a committee recently appointed by Mr. Howard to work out plans for the farm women's work of the country.

Poultry Co-operators Have Good Reports For November.

Practically all of the twenty-six poultry co-operators have turned in their reports for the month of November. Some of these reports show excellent results for November. November and December are the months that usually show the poorest egg production record because the hens have quit laying and the pullets have not begun. One of our co-operators, who had nothing but pullets, shows an average of more than eight eggs per pullet for the month.

A summarized report of the co-operators results for the month of November will soon be made public.

Meeting of Live Stock Shippers.

A meeting of live stock shippers will be held in Chamber of Commerce rooms at Sikeston on the night of December 20th at 7:30 o'clock. True D. Morse, Secretary of Missouri Co-operative Live Stock Shippers, will be present and will discuss the proposition of live stock shipping organizations with local farmers. Mr. Morse will also explain the workings of the Producers' Commission Firm, which starts business in East St. Louis, on January 1, 1922.

It will be well for the people of every county in this state to remember that we now have a new state firearms law, passed by the fifty-first general assembly wherein it is made a felony to even loan a revolver to a friend, without first securing a permit from the circuit clerk authorizing the loan. The new law is said to be one of the most stringent in the country, and the punishment for violating it runs from six months in the county jail to five years in the penitentiary, with a heavy fine also assessable. Under this law one may not sell, loan, borrow, deliver or trade a gun, which may be concealed about the person unless a permit is given. The sheriff must first honor this permit.

NEW MADRID COUNTY FARM BUREAU NEWS

Live Stock Firm Will Start Work On January First

The first of the farmer-owned and controlled co-operative commission firms to be established at the various live stock markets of the country as a part of the plan of the Committee of Fifteen will open for business at National Stock Yards, Ill., on or about January 1, 1922.

The new firm will be called the Producers' Live Stock Commission Association and will have its headquarters at 34 and 35 Exchange Building, National Stock Yards, Ill. The offices have already been rented and application for pen room has been made.

Local co-operative shippers and individual shippers will be given an opportunity to take membership in the new association. Among the advantages of such membership is the fact that live stock will be bought and sold at cost, all profits being prorated back to shippers on the basis of the amount of business done.

The membership fee for individual shippers is ten dollars and for co-operative live stock shipping associations fifty dollars for fifty cars or less annually. For more than that number of cars an additional fee of fifty cents a car for each additional car, based on the previous year's business, is levied on shipping associations.

The local co-operative shipping association and individual shipper will be the foundation upon which the Committee of Fifteen plan will be built. The terminal commission associations will be the national organization, the National Live Stock Producers Association. Producers' stocker and feeder companies are to be established in connection with the terminal commission associations.

The Board of Directors for the new terminal association to be established at National Stock Yards, Ill., is working unceasingly to have everything in readiness when the concern opens for business.

Annual Conference of Agricultural Extension Workers Well Attended.

J. M. Miles, County Agent for New Madrid County, who attended the Annual Conference of Agricultural Extension Workers, held at Columbia, Mo., during the past week, reports that the conference was very successful in point of attendance and the results obtained. The program of work for 1922 was outlined and the methods to be pursued in carrying out the proposed projects, as well as projects already under way, were discussed. Among the more important pieces of work going on throughout the State are the organization of live stock shipping associations, replacement of scrub bulls with purebreds, boys and girls club work, and soil improvement projects.

R. E. Davies, director of the Missouri Farm Bureau Marketing Service gave detailed information concerning the purpose of the marketing organization. This organization will sell to Farm Bureaus and farmers co-operative associations such commodities as coal, potatoes, feed, wire, etc.

Sixty-two County Agents, representing as many counties in the State, attended the meeting.

CEREAL GROWING AREA DECLINING IN ENGLAND

Areas of wheat and oats in England and Wales have declined since the war, and the wartime policy of promoting self-sufficiency in food production is apparently abandoned, reports the Agricultural Commissioner of the United States Department of Agriculutre in London. The wheat area of 1919, 2,221,195 acres, declined to 1,874,652 acres in 1920, in spite of the assured subsidy on all wheat planted in 1920 and for the following four years. Recent economic circumstances have required that this policy of giving wheat subsidies be abandoned and the promise covering the four years beginning with 1920 has been withdrawn.

The statistical record also shows a shrinkage in the area of oats in England and Wales from 2,564,326 acres in 1919 to 2,271,703 acres in 1920. This land goes partly back to luxury crops and garden truck, but the larger part to grass in the return to livestock farming which was followed before the war.

Dan Hocks has closed the barber shop department of his blacksmith shop until spring as nobody in Hogville gets hair cuts in winter time.

In the selection of the All-State Team by football authorities in Kansas City, the Chillicothe Business College was given three places while in making up the second team, it placed five more of its men.

FRANCE SECOND IN AMOUNT OF WHEAT CROP THIS YEAR

Winnipeg, December 13.—France ranks second among the wheat producing nations of the world, according to figures compiled by the International Institute of Agriculture here. The United States is first. Canada is third.

The United States produced 740,665,000 bushels; France 315,639,000, and Canada 294,388,000; these are the figures shown.

The report states that this year's harvest is the third France has grown since the armistice and notes that nothing could tell more eloquently than this great harvest of the rehabilitation of the sturdy French nation and its recovery from the desolation of war.

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MUSCLE SHOALS WOULD GIVE MILLION WORK, EDISON SAYS

Orange, N. J., December 12.—Thos. A. Edison, who recently accompanied Henry Ford on an inspection trip to the government's water-power developments at Muscle Shoals, Ala., today declared the automobile manufacturer could "make the Muscle Shoals project hum, not only getting his rental, but a good profit for the people."

"Fertilizer, which he would manufacture, is in great demand in the South", said the inventor. "In Northern Alabama I saw cotton fields with short stubby plants stunted for lack of fertilizer. What the people need is a cheap fertilizer. The price is too high now.

"The crop would be doubled and employment given to about a million people if the Ford project at Muscle Shoals went through."

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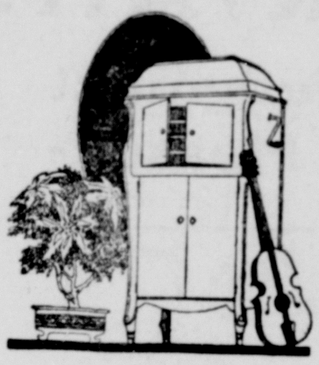
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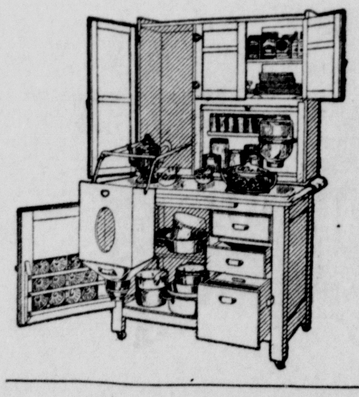
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CHRISTMAS SEALS TO BE PLACED ON SALE DECEMBER 4-25

Missourians Are Asked to Buy Little Tokens Generously to Help in Fight on Tuberculosis.



Missourians in every walk of life have an opportunity to aid a worthy cause by purchasing Tuberculosis Christmas Seals, which are now on sale in all parts of the State, under direction of the Missouri Tuberculosis Association. This year, under the direction of Dr. Walter McNab Miller, executive secretary of the Association, it is hoped to at least double the sales of last year.

Object of the Sales.

The direct object of the sale of Seals is to assist in the fight on tuberculosis. The yearly deaths from this disease in the State have been reduced from 5,113 in 1911 to 3,592 in 1920, due largely to the work of education and prevention carried on by the Missouri Tuberculosis Association. With the momentum already acquired, and the experience of the past ten years as a guide, Dr. Miller thinks it will be possible to reduce the mortality from that disease in 1922 to half what it was in 1911.

Health and School Week.

The observance of Health and School Week, as officially designated in a proclamation by Governor Hyde, is closed on Sunday, December 10th, with appropriate sermons in all churches in the State.

There will be Health Plays, to be given in the schools, and health films and songs, with special lessons and exercises for the purpose of directing attention to the importance of sanitation and hygiene in the home. One day will be designated as Live Extension Day, and on that day eminent physicians and dentists have offered their services free to those who wish to take examination.

Sale of Seals.

The sale of Tuberculosis Christmas Seals began December 4 and closes December 24. The seals this year are from a very attractive design. They are sold for a penny each and come in sheets, so the purchaser can buy as many as desired in convenient form. In addition, an attractive Seal Fund Certificate in regular form will be sold for from $2 to $100. In most counties in the State tuberculosis Christmas Seal Fund Certificates will be sold at $2 each. This certificate is very attractive and appears in the garb of the Christmas-tide.

State Is Organized.

For months past organizers have been busy in all parts of the State, preparing for the sale of the Seals. Volunteer workers in every community have received their instructions and supplies and have been organized so they will work quickly and efficiently. The idea is to give every Missourian an opportunity to buy all of the Seals desired, and thus to have a part in the great movement for a better and more healthful state.

MISSOURI LEADS IN THE FIGHT AGAINST TUBERCULOSIS.

"One reason for the marked decrease in consumption during the last twenty years," writes Dr. W. A. Evans of Chicago, "is the common knowledge of the disease. The man who does not know something about it, how to prevent it, what symptoms cause one to suspect it, and the advantage of open-air treatment, is unusual."

Missouri Tuberculosis Statistics, 1911-1920.

Years	1911	1920	Variation
Population	3,304,407	3,404,055	* 3.0%
Deaths from all causes	43,479	43,572	* 0.2%
Death-rate from all causes, per 1,000 population.	13.16	12.80	† 1.7%
Deaths from tuberculosis, all forms	5,113	3,592	†29.8%
Tuberculosis death rate per 100,000 population	155.27	105.52	†32.0%
Percentage, deaths from tuberculosis of deaths from all causes	11.76	8.22	†30.3%
Deaths from causes other than tuberculosis	38,366	39,980	* 4.2%
Death-rate from causes other than tuberculosis per 100,000 populat'n	1161.1	1174.5	* 1.1%

* Increase. † Decrease.

The above table of statistics, compiled and elaborated from the mortality report of the Missouri State Board of Health for 1920, emphatically confirms Dr. Evans' statement heading this page.

The main facts revealed in this table are:

(1) That, despite an increase in population, the number of deaths from tuberculosis in Missouri in nine years has decreased 1,521, from 5,113 in 1911 to 3,592 in 1920, a decrease of nearly 30 per cent.

(2) That for every 10,000 population in the state, deaths from tuberculosis in 1920 were 5 fewer than in 1911, a decrease of 32 per cent in nine years.

(3) That while the death-rate from causes other than tuberculosis was 1 per cent greater in 1920 than in 1911, the death-rate from tuberculosis was 82 per cent less than in 1911.

(4) That while in 1911 one out of every eight persons who died from any cause in Missouri died from tuberculosis, in 1920 but one out of every twelve such deaths was due to that disease.

The work of the state association has been chiefly educational, conducted for the most part through the schools of the State. The Missouri plan of work has yielded results unsurpassed in any other State despite the lack of county tuberculosis hospitals.

From 1911 to 1919 the death-rate from tuberculosis decreased more rapidly in the State outside of St. Louis and Kansas City than in these cities. In rural Missouri the fight conducted against tuberculosis has been almost exclusively educational. This fact reveals the effectiveness of health education in the schools and establishes its claim for your participation and financial support of the Missouri Tuberculosis Association.

You can help in the fight to control tuberculosis and to keep Missouri in the lead of the states in reducing the tuberculosis death-rate by buying Tuberculosis Christmas Seals and Christmas Seal Fund Certificates.

W. McN. MILLER, M. D.,
Executive Secretary, Missouri Tuberculosis Association.

EMINENT MEDICAL AUTHORITY MAKES PLEA FOR THE TUBERCULOSIS.

Dr. S. Adolphus Knopf, eminent authority on tuberculosis and author of world standard books on that disease, pleads for the purchase of Tuberculosis Christmas Seals this December.

Because of the pertinence of his letter to the people of New York to the tuberculosis situation in all states, his letter is being given wide publicity throughout the country in order that everyone may know the significance of financial support and co-operation given in this year's sale of Christmas Seals. Dr. Knopf's letter follows:

"Because of the favorable reports of results obtained by the tuberculosis campaign in the reduction of the death rate from tuberculosis, many well-meaning people think that there is no longer any need to help in that direction. Yet if there was ever need of funds to carry on the anti-tuberculosis work efficiently, it is now.

"Tuberculosis, as a rule, does not begin in adult life. It is most frequently contracted in childhood. While it may always remain a latent infection and never develop into a disease, where there is privation and want, underfeeding, insufficient clothing, and overcrowding, the infected child is bound to develop tuberculosis. Underfeeding, technically called malnutrition, among children whose parents are in poor or even moderate circumstances, owing to the hard times and approaching winter, is more to be feared this year than ever before. Many an adult predisposed to tuberculosis retains his good health in prosperous times because he can get good, nutritious food and have a comfortable home. It is different now with the vast army of unemployed, many of whom not only live less comfortably and less hygienically, but must content themselves with insufficient food. Add to this their natural anxiety about the future, and I am sure that unless the situation changes soon we shall have a great many tuberculous adults.

"Let us come to the rescue of those thousands of children and the thousands of men and women who are in danger of becoming tuberculous.

"But besides doing this glorious preventive work, we must also be reminded that there are yet many, many tuberculous cases without proper medical care, some who should be in a sanatorium, others in a hospital, others at least in more sanitary environments than they are at the present time, and others who should receive medical supervision.

"I appeal to the hearts of men and women who have enough food, enough clothing, and a comfortable home, to think of the little children and the men and women who may be saved from contracting tuberculosis, and those who may be cured by proper and timely treatment and care. Let those who cannot help by personal service do their share by giving freely and generously to this campaign. Let all show their interest in the fight for the prevention and cure by buying as many Christmas Seals as they can. Every penny helps. Every one will enjoy Christmas-tide with a lighter and more joyous heart if he or she can say, 'I have helped a child or a poor man or woman not to contract tuberculosis, or I have helped one tuberculous sufferer to regain his health and happiness.'"

S. ADOLPHUS KNOPF, M. D.
"New York, N. Y."

Tuberculosis Christmas Seals are being sold by school children in all parts of Missouri, as are Christmas Seal Fund Certificates in denominations ranging from $2 to $100, all under auspices of the Missouri Tuberculosis Association and local tuberculosis societies.

AMERICAN LEGION WILL AID IN SALE OF CHRISTMAS SEALS.

A resolution passed by the American Legion at its third national convention, Kansas City, October 31st to November 2nd, 1921, reads as follows:

"Whereas, The prevalence of tuberculosis among ex-service men has created a problem of most serious proportions, both to the Government and to the American Legion; and

"Whereas, The National Tuberculosis Association has been generous in its continuous co-operation with the American Legion and the federal agencies that have been trying to solve this problem and to provide proper care for tuberculosis ex-service men; and

"Whereas, The state and local tuberculosis associations have constantly supported the efforts of the American Legion in securing adequate care for ex-service men and are still continuing with their educational and organization campaigns to reduce the incidence of tuberculosis among ex-soldiers.

"Resolved, That the American Legion pledges its unqualified support to the National Tuberculosis Association and its affiliated state and local associations in the fight against tuberculosis which they are carrying on, and that we urge all local posts of the American Legion to co-operate with local and state tuberculosis associations in their several campaigns for the prevention of tuberculosis and especially in the fourteenth annual Christmas seal sale."

Legion posts will have charge of the Tuesday, "Babies Day," and Thursday, "Recreation Day," programs of School and Health Week in the schools.

Tuberculosis Christmas Seals and Seal Fund Certificates are being sold now throughout Missouri by children of the public and parochial schools. Missouri leads the states in the reduction of the tuberculosis death-rate, all due, says Dr. McN. Miller of the Missouri Tuberculosis Association, to the sale of seals by school children.

How much the tuberculosis association may do for the tuberculous ex-service man will depend upon how much money is raised in the Christmas Seal sale.



A Christmas draws near and every man's thoughts turn to some present for "HER"—she, in turn, is wondering what to give "HIM." Our store offers many suggestions for gift-giving that will help to solve your Christmas buying.

For Mother, Daughter
Shoes
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NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS FROM MATTHEWS

Matthews, Mo.,
Dec. 12, 1921.

Dear Santan Claus:

Please send me a forked pencil, so I can outclass the other fellows at figures, also a doughnut, large as the moon, so I can see the doughnut without looking at the hole in it. Bring smiles and good cheer and a peace on earth, good will toward all men.

Mrs. W. B. MIZE.

G. F. Deane had business in Sikeston, Wednesday.

Fred Marr went to Sikeston Tuesday on business.

Mrs. Leon Swartz and Mrs. W. O. Carroll shopped in Sikeston, Monday.

Mrs. G. D. Steele and Tim Moore of Chanute, Kansas, motored to Sikeston Wednesday.

We are glad to report that Mrs. Jeff Russell was able to resume her school duties at Noxall Monday.

Tim Moore, brother of Mrs. G. D. Steeele, arrived Monday from Chanute, Kansas on a visit to his sister.

Misses Lucille Greere and Callie Emory and Calvin Greer of East Prairie were the gusets of Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Russell, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Story entretained Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Stewart and little son, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Swartz and the twins, Jane Ann and Benny, with a turkey dinner, Tuesday.

Mrs. G. D. Steele, little son John Chaney and Miss Willa Deane accompanied Mrs. Elizabeth Winchester as far as Sikeston Wednesday, where she took the train for her home in New Concord, Tenn.

George Dynon, of St. Louis, representative of the Universal moving pictures, was in Matthews to engage some of the new and popular plays to Mr. McMillin for his shows. Mr. and Mrs. Charles McMillin motored down to New Madrid with Mr. Dynon Tuesday evening to visit the moving pictures at that place.

Howard Steele, president of the Matthews bank, was called to New Mexico Friday by telegram, telling of the death of his friend, Will Allen. Mr. Allen was raised by Mr. Steele's father, the late Geo. Steele, Sr., and lived here until about ten years ago when he went to New Mexico and made good out there. He was a fine man and had many friends, who will regret to hear of his death.

A fine picture was put on the screen at the McMillin Theatre Monday, the "A. B. C. of Love." Another fine show will be given Friday and Saturday night. Matthews can certainly boast of having a fine up-to-date moving picture show to go to. Let everybody come Saturday night. Don't forget on December 23rd and 25th that celebrated play "The Heart of Humanity" will be given at the Theater. This play is in thirteen reels and you miss half of your life if you miss it.

Mrs. Lola McCloud entertained Tuesday evening in her usual hospitable style with a party in honor of Mrs. Elizabeth Winchester of New Concord, Tenn. and Mr. Tim Moore of Chanute, Kansas, who are guests of Mrs. G. D. Steele. The following were present: Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Singleton, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Emory, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Swartz, Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Steele, Mr. and Mrs. O. K. Mainord, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Deane, Mrs. Elizabeth Winchester, Miss Jessie Trent, Miss Winner Walker, Miss Flossie Reed, Miss Vera Roberts, Miss Ruby Byrd, Misses Willa and Lillith Dean, Tim Moore, Ronald Buckles, and Frank Sutton. Refreshments were served. The partakers of Mrs. McCloud's hospitality took their departure at a late hour, declaring a most delightful evening spent.

INFORMATION CONCERNING SOLDIERS' BONUS

1. Soldier must have resided within the State of Missouri at least twelve months immediately prior to April 6, 1917.

2. Must have served honorably in the Miliary or Navatl forces of the U. S. at any time between the 6th day day of April, 1917, and the 11th day of November, 1918.

3. No person will be entitled to a bonus who has received a bonus from another State for the same service.

4. Will be paid only to the individual soldier, who cannot assign or sell it.

5. In case of death, bonus is payable in the order named to surviving wife, child, mother, father.

6. Rate of bonus: $10.00 per month or major portion thereof, while in active service, not to exceed the sum of $250.00.

7. The commission will not be able to begin payment until after the bonds are sold, which will be about May 1st, 1922, so do not make your application until it publicly announces it is ready, as you will only waste your time and theirs.

NAVY, LACKING MONEY TO PAY WILL DROP ABOUT 5000 MEN

Washington, Dec. 14.—The enlisted personnel of the navy will be reduced shortly by about 5000 men as a result of orders authorizing the discharge of many men on their own requests, it has been learned at the Navy Department.

The reduction is necessary on account of the shortage of the appropriation for the pay of enlisted men for the balance of the year, it was said at the department, and will take place as soon as it is possible to make the discharges.

Coons—Possosm—Mink—We want to buy your furs.—White Front Candy Kitchen.

The Story of Our States

By JONATHAN BRACE

XXXII.—MINNESOTA



MINNESOTA is formed partly from a portion of the Northwest territory and partly by the Northeast section of the Louisiana Purchase. It was the Mississippi river which was the dividing line between these two large territories.

The Eastern section was ceded by France to Great Britain in 1763 and became a part of the United States at the end of the Revolution by the Treaty of Paris in 1783. The Northwest territory was organized by congress four years later. Then, as this great federal domain became settled and was gradually divided into states, the Eastern part of the present State of Minnesota belonged in turn to the Territories of Indiana, Michigan and Wisconsin.

As to the western portion of the state, this was a part of the Louisiana Purchase, which was bought from France by the United States in 1803. As this region became subdivided, Western Minnesota formed a part of the Territories of Louisiana, Missouri and Iowa.

The first white man to penetrate to Minnesota was the French explorer, Duluth, who in 1678 built a fort on Lake Superior and there established a very extensive fur trade. Two years later, Father Hennepin and two companions were sent by La Salle to explore the Upper Mississippi and reached the Falls of St. Anthony, where Minneapolis now stands. But it was not until the Nineteenth century that permanent settlements were made. In 1822 the first mill was built at the Falls of St. Anthony, where were destined to arise such important successors. In 1841, Father Galtier built a chapel dedicated to St. Paul, and this was the foundation of the present great city of that name.

As to the name Minnesota, the state was so called from the river that runs through it, which in the Dakota Indian language makes the words "Minne," meaning "Water," and "Sotah," meaning "Sky-colored." Sometimes the state is called the "North Star State," from the motto on its coat-of-arms.

Minnesota was admitted to the Union in 1858. Its area is 84,682 square miles and it is the most important of our wheat producing states. It has twelve presidential electors.

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To prevent a cold take 666.

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Heed This

It May Save Your Life

The object of this article is to instruct people in the early symptoms of tuberculosis so that they will go to physicians before it is too late.

SUSPICIOUS SYMPTOMS.

Cough or expectoration, even if only a little in the morning, if continued over two months.

Hoarseness or huskiness of voice, if at all persistent and not otherwise explained.

Rapid pulse, slight afternoon fever, a tired feeling continually.

Frequent attacks of "bronchitis," "grip" or fever.

Blood spitting. Caused by tuberculosis nine times in ten.

Pleurisy or pains in the chest. Caused by tuberculosis about seven times in ten.

Night sweats. Very suspicious.

Loss of weight and strength. Very suspicious, particularly if there is a slight cough.

Tuberculosis may be cured if treated in time.

If any symptoms enumerated here are present, no matter how well you look or feel, take this slip to your physician and explain your case. We will send pamphlets on the subject free.

Help win the fight for health against tuberculosis by buying Tuberculosis Christmas Seals in December.

Missouri Tuberculosis Association,
706 Pontiac Building,
St. Louis, Mo.

HEALTH EMERGENCY PROCLAMATION.

St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 5, 1921.

Whereas, Smallpox is prevalent in a virulent and dangerous form in some localities throughout the State of Missouri and still continues to increase, and

Whereas, It is known that smallpox has been transmitted from place to place by common carriers of passengers, and

Whereas, It is necessary for the speedy extermination of the disease that every precaution be taken, and

Whereas, As vaccination is the only known preventive; be it

Resolved, by the State Board of Health of Missouri, That all common carriers of passengers of interstate and intercounty passage be and are hereby required to require of all persons a certificate from a recognized authority (licensed physician) showing that the person is protected by vaccination or has been successfully vaccinated within three years, before selling a ticket or before accepting for passage any person either for interstate or intercounty passage or transportation.

This order shall be in effect throughout the State of Missouri on and after December 15, 1921.

Missouri State Board of Health,
CORTEZ F. ENLOE, Secretary.

Keeping Car's Temperature.

It is desirable during the transit of fruit in a refrigerator car to know the precise temperature in different parts of the car, for this temperature is seldom the same thoughout the interior of the car. For this purpose the Department of Agriculture has now in use an instrument which is described in Popular Mechanics Magazine. It has twelve resistance thermometers for recording the temperature at twelve different parts of the car. The instruments are connected by a cable to a 12-point plug that fits a socket on the recording box, so that a circuit can be established with any of the twelve thermometers. The exact temperature is shown on a register in one corner of the box and a chart shows the location of each thermometer.

"Moll Cutpurse," Notorious Thief.

Mary Frith, sometimes called "Moll Cutpurse," a notorious thief in the time of Charles I (1625-1649), died of dropsy at the age of 74. She possessed great physical strength, and frequently assumed man's attire. Having on one occasion held up Lord Fairfax on Hounslow heath, she was captured and sent to Newgate, but escaped by means of bribery.

NOT MANY FEEBLE-MINDED

Authority Shows That Only Two Per Cent of the Population Can Be So Classed.

The idea that we are menaced as a nation by illiterates and feeble-minded is all wrong. We have illiterates and feeble-minded in our midst, but they are a relatively negligible force numerically. The reverse idea, or idea in the reverse, that we are short on genius, also is wrong, according to Dr. George G. Chambers, director of admissions at the University of Pennsylvania, and the educators who co-operate with him. Doctor Chambers says genius as a national crop is statistically as strong as the more discussed feeble-minded and that each represents a mere 2 per cent of the population.

But genius, says Dr. Chambers, is not the mere possession of a talent swollen to phenomenal degree, perhaps so hypertrophied that it is useless. He denies genius to the man, however great his talents, who cannot and does not exercise them. Genius in his definition is high intelligence followed by actual use of that intelligence in life. And intelligence is the ability to adapt one's self to new circumstances, to one's surroundings—in a word, to be able to know something and make use of one's knowledge. Under this definition it is surprising that the adaptable Yankee should not hold a higher record for genius than 2 per cent.—Pittsburgh Dispatch.

BROUGHT ALL HE COULD FIND

Evidently Georgie Had Had Quite a Serious Spill From Bicycle He Had Rented.

Bill Spokes, a second-hand bicycle man, was a just man and usually slept the sleep of the just, but one night his saintly slumbers were disturbed by a voice hailing him below his window.

"What's wrong?" he called out, drowsily.

"D'you remember lending Georgie Smith a machine this afternoon?" piped the voice.

"That's right," said the bicycle man; "but I ain't going to take it in at this time of night. Georgie will have to keep the machine till mornin', and pay by the hour."

"Yes, of course," agreed the voice from below; "that's fair. But Georgie had a bit of a spill through running into a motorcar, and he don't want to pay for the hire of more'n he can help. I've brought round all we can find of the machine so far."

At that the second-hand bicycle man jumped from his bed and rushed angrily to the window.

"And what have you found?" he shouted.

"It's coming up!" piped the voice, and an oil can sailed into the room.—Boston Globe.

Temptation Windows.

In a small Indiana town the Methodist church has stained glass windows on the bottom panels of which are printed verses of Scripture. One that six-year-old Willie has been able to decipher, and from the effort remembers well, goes: "And lead us not into temptation."

Not long after, his mother took him to visit an old friend who had built an expensive new home. Now, in the hall there were two high windows and both of them were made of orange-colored glass. When they entered that room Willie stared and stared but said nothing. But that night when he told his father all about the new house he remembered the orange windows and said: "And oh, dad, they're awfully religious. They've got those windows that keep out temptation."

Back to Medicine of Mayas.

Prof. William Gates, president of the Maya society, states that in Central America there have recently been discovered the evidences of an ancient race of people, with a civilization as old and as cultured as that of the ancient Egyptians. They were of a lofty mental attitude and of high metaphysical qualities.

Among the most important discoveries expected to be made there are the unearthing of native medical works, some of which are already in the hands of the Maya society, that will add valuable specific pharmacopoeia and medicinal knowledge to that science in this country.

Plenty of Hair.

After stumbling in a dark theater for a few minutes I fell into an aisle seat behind a young woman, writes a correspondent, I could not see the screen well, as the girl in front hid most of it from my vision. I could see only the outline of her head against the screen and I thought she had her hat on, so I politely asked her to remove it.

She turned half way around and said: "You flatter me."

As I got a better look at her I realized that she had her hair bobbed and fluffed out so far it made it appear that she wore a hat.

New Fuel Gas.

A Swiss engineer has produced a rich new gas, suitable for use in internal-combustion engines, by first packing sheet-metal drums with alternate layers of common calcium carbide and sawdust, saturated by crude oil, then adding water. The carbide in combining with the water liberates acetylene gas and also generates a high degree of heat which cracks and volatilizes the crude oil, liberating its gases. The two gases then combine to form the new one.—Popular Mechanics Magazine.

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McMullin

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Simpson motored to Cape Girardeau Tuesday.

Juanita Carpenter spent the week-end at the home of Mrs. Denman of Sikeston.

The pupils of the McMullin school are preparing for examinations the week before Christmas.

Louise Lewis is still out of school suffering from an abcess on her foot. She is under the care of Dr. G. W. Pressnell.

Mr. and Mrs. Nick Kindred and Mrs. Anna Ancell and son Walter, spent the wek-end at the home of Mrs. Lynn Waggoner of Charleston.

To break a cold take 666.

Only two mines, both in Colorado, produced tungsten in the United States last year, and the total production was the smallest for any year since 1902.

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LOCAL AND PERSONAL FROM NEW MADRID

Mrs. Hattie Jackson spent Sunday with homefolks in Portageville.

Dr. J. W. Bess of Lilbourn was in New Madrid on business last Thursday.

G. F. Deane of Matthews was a business visitor in New Madrid Monday.

Dr. R. Lee Williams of Point Pleasant was a New Madrid visitor Monday.

C. A. Tant, Bridge Contractor of Portageville, attended County Court, Monday.

Atty. George H. Traylor made a professional trip to Parma, Thursday of last week.

Attorney E. F. Sharp of Marston attended County Court at New Madrid, Monday.

Mrs. Sager and daughter, Miss Lena of Portageville were New Madrid visitors Saturday.

Mrs. Jennie Mitchell and son Clay were in Portageville the latter part of last week on business.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Newsum are the proud parents of a boy baby born to thme on Saturday, December 1.

James P. Salyer, Cashier of the Parma Bank transacted business at the County Seat, Thursday of last week.

Mrs. Fannie Fine and little son, Lee Calvert, returned Monday from a several weeks visit with her sister, Mrs. Paul Mueller of Jackson.

Mrs. Eva Hunter, Mrs. S. L. Hunter, Jr., Mrs. Shap R. Hunter, Jr., Mrs. H. Clay Hunter and little daughter, Marie, spent Friday and Saturday in Cairo, shopping.

Misses Thelma Sherrard and Juanita Clark and Messrs. E. L. Crumpecker and G. Mocabee of Morehouse motored to New Madrid Sunday evening and were guests at the Hamilton.

Mrs. Roy E. Anderson and little daughter, Mary Martha, left Saturday for their home in Arlington, Tenn., after spending a few weeks with her mother, Mrs. Mary Griffith of this city.

W. T. Shanks accompanied by Mrs. Margaret Grey, Mrs. Clay Stubbs, Misses Margaret Shanks and Vera Walpole of Sikeston, motored to New Madrid and were guests of Mrs. W. L. Meier last Thursday.

John and Herman Bremmerman, accompanied by their neices, Miss Alleen, Helen and Lillias Allison, of Cape Girardeau, spent the week-end in New Madrid as guests of their sisters, Mrs. John F. Gordon and Mrs. Alvina Owens.

Mrs. Clay Mitchell returned Sunday from Chaffee, where she was called by the illness of her sister, Mrs. A. W. Ingram, who was suffering from an attack of pneumonia, but is reported better. She will be pleasantly remembered by the New Madrid people as Miss Genevieve Proffitt.

Last Friday, Robert Terry, a restaurant keeper in this city, in company with a friend, went out on a duck hunting expedition and were succeseful in killing fourteen and on returning home, they stopped over in Matthews to procure a lunch and while doing so, some kind friend relieved them of their game, taking all the fourteen.

The Caltalpa Lodge No. 294 W. O. W., met last Friday evening, December 9, and elected the following officers: James Brooks, Consul Commander; C. A. Shelby, Advisor Lieutenant; M. Frankle, Banker; William Buesching, Clerk; Alfred Stepp, Escort; C. L. Fontaine, Watchman; A. L. Coon, Sentry; Wm. Smith, Messenger, after which the members enjoyed an elaborate banquet prepared for them at Crout's restaurant.

Miss Linda Stewart was the charming hostess for the Wednesday afternoon Bridge Club, the substitutes being Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Bock, Mr. and Mrs. June C. St. Mary and Dr. and Mrs. W. L. Digges. S. R. Hunter was awarded the gentleman's prize, an angel food cake and the ladies' prize, a handmade embroidered dresser scarf, was presented to Mrs. St. Mary for her excellent playing. At the conclusion of the game, a very delicious luncheon of cream chicken, pineapple salad, potato chips, rolls, coffee and candy were served.

Miss Eva Carter visited Cairo Sunday.

J. W. Black was a visitor to Illinois this week, returning Friday.

Mrs. J. W. Black will entertain with several tables of Bridge Friday afternoon.

J. P. Johnson of Arbor, Mo., visit his son, Roy Johnson, the early part of the week.

Louie Shields of La Forge was a pleasant caller at The Standard office Wednesday.

Miss Lillie Brucher of Cape Girardeau was a week-end guest to her sister, Miss Helen Brucher.

The many friends of Mrs. George Van Lear will be pleased to hear that she is steadily improving.

Mrs. Archie Barnett is visiting her parents at Grays Ridge while Archie is on a business trip to Perkins, Ky.

The ladies Missionary Society of the Methodist Church held an all day meeting with Mrs. Jno. L. Tanner, Thursday.

Mrs. J. B. Porter of Rector, Ark. and her little granddaughter are visiting her son, A. Ray Smith and wife and will remain until after the holidays.

Brazil has a mine from which gold and silver have been taken almost continuously since 1725, arsenic being obtained from the residuous sand in recent years.

A new electric truck for warehouses and factories picks up objects weighing several hundred pounds and can be made to change their position when unloading them.

The Bowman school played the Fairview school a game of football. The Bowman school came out winners. Miss Madge Davis is the teacher in the Bowman school.

A variety of sunflower has been developed that grows only three feet in height and produces white blossoms that yield more seeds than any other kind of the same plant.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Davis and children of Council Bluffs, Ia., will visit homefolks for the Christmas holidays. Carl is advertising manager on one of the Council Bluff's papers.

Old Santa Claus may not be able to carry such a load this Christmas as he has in past years, but we have an idea he will remember most of the little fellows in some sort of a way.

An explorer who took part in an Antarctic expedition says the most remarkable effect of the cold which he noticed was the almost complete loss of the sense of touch in the fingers.

Mr. and Mrs. Loomis Mayfield entertained with a dinner party at their home on North Kingshighway Tuesday evening. Covers were laid for Mr. and Mrs. Clay Stubbs, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lindley, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Galeener, Miss Burnice Tanner, Arthur Barrett, Miss Vera Walpole, Herman Henry, Miss Margaret Shanks and Dr. Anthony.

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HOW THE RED BIRD GOT ITS COLOR

Allan Hinchey

In the Bois Brule lived the people of Sauk-ton-qua. Great hunters they were, and warriors feared by other tribes.

This legend was told to the writer by his great-great grandmother more than a half century ago. She was the widow of Capt. William Holmes, commander of the second company of the Ste. Genevieve regiment in the war of 1812. The Holmes' came into the Ste. Genevieve district about the time of the Louisiana Purchase and settled on the River Aux Vasse, near the lowlands called by the French "Bois Brule". The legend was told to her by an old warrior of the Chawanon (Shawnee) tribe, but probably had been handed down from a period prior the trail that led into the Bois Brule. It follows:

For years they had waged wars with the Osages, who lived many miles to the north.

Chief Sauk-ton-qua had two daughters, comely maidens and graceful, the younger, Mina-lauk, being beloved of all her people. But the older was of jealous disposition and was envious of her sister's popularity.

Sauk-ton-qua and his warriors were away, into the country to the north, on an expedition against their Osage enemies. The old men, the squaws and the children remained in the Bois Brule.

It was the autumn of the year. The forests were clad in gorgeous hues, purple grapes hung thickly from the vines and the ground was covered with pecans that had fallen from the trees.

Each day Mina-lauk went into the forests surrounding the village to gather grapes and nuts for the winter stores.

And often would she linger by the trail that led into the Bois Brule from the country to the north, for among the absent warriors was a young chief to whom Mina-lauk had pledged her troth, and she longed for his coming.

Her sister, too, loved the young chief, and was jealous of Mina-lauk, whom she at times followed into the forest and watched from concealment with hatred in her heart.

One day a runner came to announce the approach of Sauk-ton-qua and his warriors. Mina-lauk hastened to a trysting place to which she knew her lover would come.

As she stood in the trysting place, with beating heart, she heard the shouts of the victorious warriors as they neared the village. She was happy in the knowledge that soon her lover would come.

Suddenly and fiercely she was attacked by a bird that tore her face and clawed at her eyes, until the poor maiden was blinded and her face was covered with blood.

The shrieks of Mina-lauk brought an aged medicine man who seized the bird, the feathers of which were dyed crimson from the blood torn from the face of Mina-lauk.

The young chief came to the trysting place to seek his beloved.

He found her blinded and her face cruelly torn. "Give me the bird, that I may kill it", he cried.

"No" replied the medicine man, "it is her cruel sister, who has taken the form of a bird, and to punish her she shall remain a bird for all time, and she and all her kind shall wear blood-red feathers unto the end of time."

Kid body dolls are the best.—Pinnell Store Co.

Tables, chairs, and other articles of furniture are now made from compressed paper so colored and polished as to give it the appearances of the finest woods.

For having been a faithful servant in the same family for a period of 55 years, Mme. Euphemie Bienseant has received a silver medal from the French government.

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THE MASS MEETING MONDAY EVENING

The City Hall was well filled at 7:30 Monday evening, the hour set for the mass meeting called by Mayor White, to hear such complaints as citizens had to make against the Missouri Public Utilities Co. and the Southwestern Bell Telephone Co. The real meat of the meeting was to get an expression from those present as to how best to make contracts for lighting and pumping water for the city.

Everyone present, who had anything on their system in the way of complaints against either of these corporations, was given an opportunity to say it, and say it strong.

Some thought we were paying too much for service rendered and was in favor of a municipal plant, while others acknowledged that bills were high, but could not say whether they were too high or not, and believed this was not the time to agitate any sort of bond issue.

It was generally stated that we were getting poor or weak street lights but whether or not we were getting just what the town was paying for, could not be ascertained. Mayor White stated that the City Council had considered the proposition to cut out the street lights altogether, but that would not meet with the approval of the citizens. It was shown what a predicament the city would be in should a break occur in the transmission line from the Cape and a fire occur about that time without any sort of engin to pump water. All of which was acknowledged by those present. After permitting the delegation from Charleston to throw a few stones and some scrap iron into the Public Utilities machinery, Mr. Kelso, council of the Public Utilities Co., was asked to give his side of the story. His side was well given and he stated that there had never been a time that his company was not ready and willing to do anything possible, without counting the cost, to give service to Sikeston and other cities and towns that they served but that they could not promise not to have breaks in the service in case of storms and like causes over which Providence ruled. He likewise stated that Charleston and Sikeston had been cold to their company ever since they took possession of the properties and it seemed that their utmost efforts could not satisfy them. With these two cities continually holding the "club of municipal plants" over their heads, it was not much of an incentive to further spend large sums of money to more nearly perfect their service by bringing in a line from Poplar Bluff to Dexter, to Sikeston, to Charleston, in order to shift switches in case a tree falls across the Cape cable and put it out of commission. Mr. Kelso put it just about right when he stated that it was but human for the public to wish low rates for the service and his company high rates for their service, but that the Missouri Public Service Commission, after listening to evidence and complaints from both sides, made the rates now in force.

We, the prejudicied public, hate to acknowledge the fact, but Mr. Kelso handled his side of the controversy in an able manner, and made some of us think that perhaps we hadn't given the devil his dues.

The complaints against the Telephone Company was caused by bad night service and an representative of that company stated that they were, and had been for six weeks, installing new switch boards and that from 9 p. m. until 6 a. m. workmen had certain sections of the switch board disconnected. The work being done at night to cause just as little inconvenience as possible.

After the representatives of these corporations gave their side of the stroy, and it was so plain that they were the injured party, we looked for Mayor White to apologize for having caused them to come down and meet with us, but he didn't do it. Instead, he appointed a committee of three members of the City Council to join with three member of the Chamber of Commerce and work out a scheme to make a satisfactory contract with the Public Utilities Co., or to report on the advisability of attempting to pass a bond issue for a municipal plant. This committee was given ten days to work out a scheme to present at a mass meeting to be called by the Mayor.

B. & L. ASSOCIATION ELECTS OFFICERS

The Sikeston Building and Loan Association, at a meeting Wednesday evening, elected the following officers:

I. H. Dunaway, President.

J. A. Mocabee, Vice-President.

F. H. Smith, Treasurer.

A. A. Harrison, Secretary.

The Board of Directors for the year 1922, are I. H. Dunaway, J. A. Mocabee, F. H. Smith, W. W. Hinchey, J. A. Young, L. M. Stallcup, W. E. Derris.

The year just closing was very satisfactory and while no big gains were made considerable more business was handled than the year 1920.

January 1, 1922, will open with Series 19, of the Building and Loan stock and no better investment can be made by those looking for a safe investment, and it is practically the only way the man of small means can ever hope to own a home.

Shade Trees For Highways.

A dispatch from Harrisburg brings the news that systematic planting of trees along the State Highways in forest areas is to be undertaken next year. Preference will be given roads having the smallest number of poles and wires. Whether the Highway Department or the Forestry Department is to handle the job is not stated in the dispatch; probably they will collaborate. The Forestry Department is showing an increasing disposition to consider trees as objects worthy of cultivation for their beauty alone. The department has been so busy establishing forests as a protective cover on denuded watersheds, and for the purpose of restoring Pennsylvania's fast vanishing timber production, that it has been able to give comparatively little attention to the planting of shade trees. But signs have not been lacking during the last year that it has begun to take an interest in this phase of forestry, also. For example, seedlings, which previously were issued only to those who would consent to set out a forest, or at least a good-sized grove of trees, were given out in much smaller quantities this year to persons who obviously sought nothing more than to ornament their property. Nowhere can shade trees be planted to greater advantage than along the highways. Not only will they protect wayfarers from the sun's heat in midsummer; they will beautify the roads and so encourage people to travel more. Moreover, they will hold in place the soil alongside the highways, and so tend to prevent washouts and landslides. It has been suggested, also, that trees along the highways check speeding, on the theory that a driver does not want to proceed rapidly when he is passing through a beautiful land.—Pittsburgh Sun.

At a meeting of the Ben Hur Lodge Wednesday evening, the sum of $10 was appropriated out of the treasury as part of a fund to buy Christmas presents for children whose parents are not able to do so. Miss Susie Hay will have charge of the fund. If other Lodges will make a like contribution all the little fellows will be made happy. This was certainly thoughtful of the Ben Hurs.

A. L. Daniels, probation officer was down from Benton Tuesday to look after the children of Geo. Johnson and Ewin Kennedy. Johnson has five children, the oldest 15 years of age, and he claims he is unable to support them and was intending to place them where it was believed to be unsuitable homes or places, when the officer was notified of conditions and came down to see about the matter. It was rumored that he expected to marry a young woman after he had his children cared for, but this he indignantly denied. Kennedy objected to his children being sent to a home, but he was convinced that he could not work and take care of little children, and he finally consented, but hoped to again establish a home and have his children with him.



ARE FOUND AT PLEASING

LOW PRICES

AT

The Farmers Dry Goods and Clothing Company

WE HAVE JUST WHAT YOU WANT AT WHAT YOU WANT TO PAY FOR CHRISTMAS GIFTS

SHOP NOW—WE HOLD YOUR PACKAGES

COMMITTEE MEETING AT HOTEL MARSHALL

The Democratic Committee of the Twenty-third Senatorial District met at the Hotel Marshall in Sikeston Wednesday afternoon to set the day for the county mass meetings to select delegates for the District Meeting to be held to nominate candidates for the Constitutional Convention.

Doc Brydon, holding proxy from Stoddard County, called the meeting to order, after which Judge C. D. Mitchell of Mississippi County was selected as chairman and M. V. Harris of Scott County, as secretary.

It was voted to hold a mass meeting at Benton Wednesday, December 21, at 2 p. m. to select delegates to attend the District meeting to be held at Sikeston, Wednesday, December 28, at 2 p. m., at which time candidates will be chosen to be voted for at the election to be held January 31, 1922, to represent the Democrats of the Twenty-Third Senatorial District, on preparing a new constitution for the State of Missouri.

Each county is entitled to one delegate for each 500 votes cast for Atkinson for Governor at the last general election, or fraction thereof over 250.

The District mass meeting will be held at the Chamber of Commerce rooms in Sikeston, Wednesday, December 28, at 2 p. m.

Methodist Church

Sunday School—9:30.

Preaching service—10:45—Sermon: Presiding Elder S. M. Robinson.

Junior League—2:30.

Intermediate & Senior Leagues—6:30.

Preaching service—7:3. Subject: "Vital Messages from the Prophets—Hosea".

You are cordialy invited to attend these services.

Misses Eva and Isabelle Hess delightfully surprised their sister, Miss Helen, Tuesday evening, by having the following friends in to spend the evening: Mrs. Thos. B. Mather, Miss Allie Howard, Miss Jennie Watts, Miss Mabel Barnett, Miss Effie Sellards, Miss Helen Grojean, Miss Lela Lett, Miss Helen Brucher, Miss Irma Wilson, Mrs. Veith and Mrs. Wallace Applegate.

BEN HUR LODGE ELECTS OFFICERS

At a meeting of the Ben Hur Lodge Wednesday evening, the following officers were elected:

R. E. Limbaugh, Chief.

Mrs. R. E. Limbaugh, Vice-Chief.

Mrs. Trousdale, Judge.

Mrs. F. E. Mount, Teacher.

Mrs. C. O. Scott, Captain.

Mrs. J. N. Sheppard, Guide.

James Inman, Inside Door Keeper.

J. H. Hayden, Outside Door Keeper.

Jim Wilbur, Scribe.

F. E. Mount, Keeper of Tribute.

A kitchen conveniently planned and equipped, well lighted and ventilated, saves time and labor for the housekeeper and contributes to the health and contentment of the entire family.

Put small bits of camphor gum in the bag with the silver not in general use and you will not have to stop work to clean the tarnished silver when guests are coming for a meal.

Inter-Class Declamation Contests

Sikeston High School

Tuesday Evening, Dec. 20

BAPTIST CHURCH

Silver Offering Will Be Taken

"The Shooting of Dan McGrew"
Albert Bruton

"Henry W. Grady"
Bernard East

"The Unknown Soldier"
Bill Bowman

"The Flag Day Address"
Bernard Crain

"The Count and the Wedding Guest"
Martha Gould

"The Author's Reading at Bigsby's Center"
Ruth Denman

"Pompadour Days"
Martha Gresham

"Who's Afraid"
Fanny Becker

SIKESTON MAY BE HEALTH CENTER

Four of the members of the State Health Board, Dr. Thomas Parron, Dr. I. W. Mountain, Robert Bondy and John McCutcheon, are holding meetings in different counties in Southeast Missouri this week and next week, with reference to establishing county health offices.

A meeting was held at Charleston Monday and the meeting was held here last night. Another meeting will be held at Bloomfield tomorrow and meetings in Dunklin, Pemiscot, Scott, Mississippi and Butler will follow. The meetings are being held to further the plans discussed at the joint meeting of the Southeast Missouri Agricultural Bureau, the County Courts of seven counties in Southeast Missouri and State Health officers at Sikeston last Wednesday. If four of these counties will go together and match the State Health Board, the Public Service Commission and the Rockefeller Foundation, a health center will be established at Sikeston and will serve the four counties.—Cape Sun.

LOST—A fountain pen Wednesday afternoon between the Public School and the home of J. A. Hess. Return to The Standard office.

LOST—Between Sikeston and Van-Vanduser on the McMullin road, one heavy grey blanket with a red stripe. Return to The Standard office and receive reward.

TO EXCHANGE—An 8 apartment building in a splendid Central Illinois town returning 7½ gross on a $70,000 valuation is offered in exchange for a well located and well improved Southeast Missouri farm. Are you interested? Describe fully what you have. —H. care of this office.

Rub-My-Tism for Rheumatism.

Mrs. Archie Barnett, captain of the Campfire Girls, informs The Standard, that the Campfire Girls will sing Christmas Carols on Christmas eve night from 6:00 until 7:30 o'clock. It is the custom to place a lighted candle in the window of the homes where they wish the girls to sing, but for fear that some of the homes may be overlooked, kindly call on Mrs. Barnett and she and the girls will visit your home. The singing of Christmas Carols is a beautiful custom and Mrs. Barnett is to be highly commended for carrying it out in this city this year.

JOHNNIE MALONE AGAIN IN TROUBLE

Being full of white mule and the devil, has gotten John R. Malone and the law at outs again. It seems that he went to the Jefferson Hotel, near the Frisco, and in the absence of the proprietor he caused a disturbance and so frightened the women folks that they hastened up stairs to get away. He was insulting to a young girl behind the counter and to a young married woman, who was present. He likewise exhibited and flourished a revolver and told the girl he had a pill in that gun for her and asked her if she wanted it. After a while Dr. Malone and Bill were sent for, but John refused to listen to them or accompany them. Finally he left the hotel and got into a car he was using and in which he had a woman, drove up Prosperity street and back and in making a quick turn, the door of the car flew open and a quart jar containing white mule rolled out of the car and was broken.

A State warrant containing two charges was issued for him but up to Wednesday at noon he had not been apprehended.

John's recent narrow escape from a State job in the penitentiary should have been sufficient to have satisfied most any adventurous spirit, but not so with John, hence this latest escapade. He is a dangerous person to be permitted at large and if he is not sent to the penitentiary, he should be confined in an asylum the balance of his days.

SANTA CLAUS LETTER

Santa Claus,
North Pole.
Dear Santa Claus:

I will appreciate it very much if you will bring me a walking doll, a set of dishes, a pair of Willis rollers, a black stove, kitchen cabinet, Baby Grand piano, Christmas tree, some nuts and candy.

Yours Respectfully,
LAVERNE REICHLE.

P. S. And a big doll buggy, too.

Sikeston, Mo.,
December 11, 1921.

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a little girl 8 years old and I will tell you what I want for Xmas. I want a doll that goes to sleep and a doll buggy and a little broom, a silvre pencil, and a sweater. Please don't forget my sister and all my little school friends.

Your little friend,
GLADYS IRENE HODGE.

Sikeston, Mo.,
December 14, 1921.

Dear Santa Claus:

I will tell you what I want for Christmas. I want a pair of gloves, a doll and some nuts, oranges, apples, candy, story books, some painters and bring aunt Artie some nuts, oranges and apples for Christmas.

Your little friend,
MARIE FULTON.

Sikeston, Mo.
Dec. 13, 1921.

Dear Santa Claus:

You will not be surprised to get a letter from me for I have written you before. Not from Sikeston, but from many other places. I am a little girl 8 years old, and in the fourth grade at school. I hope you find me this year. And remember I would like most anything you have. Please remember Miss Clippard, my teacher, and all the boys and girls in my room. Also my baby sister. Please fill their stockings full of good things. My Christmas tree will already be up.

Your little friend,
JOSEPHINE HUDSON.

Miss Elizabeth Hoskins, who has been visiting her mother, Mrs. J. W. Wilkins, left Thursday for her home in San Francisco, returning home via Memphis and New Orleans.

Raymond Albright gave a party December 13th, at his country home south of town. Youngsters present were: Lowell Margan, "Bus" Sitze, Standford Jones, Lynn Finley, Bill Baker, Cecil Carson, Kenneth Dye, Dale Dye, Hildreth Dill, Burl Goodpasture, George Limbaugh, Weldon McDonald, Paul Jones, Tom Moore, Daniel McCoy and Frank Miller.

MEETING OF THE WOMAN'S CLUB

The Woman's Club held their regular meeting in the Chamber of Commerce rooms Tuesday afternoon and a large attendance was present. The regular business of the Club was taken up and reports read. The treasurer reported $270 made on the rummage sale. A raising vote of thanks was given Mrs. I. H. Dunaway and Mrs. John Fisher for the efficient manner in which they conducted the sale.

A vote of thanks to M. M. Beck for courtesies extended to the Club and the Secretary was requested to write Mr. Chris Beck, thanking him for the use of his store room for the sale.

The Club voted to set aside $200 of the sum realized to be used in beautifying the High School ground, which work will be in charge of a committee, of which Mrs. L. O. Rodes is chairman.

The next meeting of the Club will be an open meeting at the Hotel Marshall, which will be a reception to the members of the Chamber of Commerce and their wives, and will be held on January 2nd, 1922 at eight o'clock. Mrs. G. W. Gould gave a full and interesting report of the Caruthersville meeting held in November and then the program in charge of Mrs. Henry Welsh was given. The program for the afternoon was "Makers of Modern Opera". After a few introductory remarks by Mrs. Welsh, Mrs. Emma Kendall gave a history of the lives of two composers and Miss Myra Tanner gave the history of the life of two and Mrs. A. C. Sikes gave a brief history of the late Carison selection form. Several operas were given on a machine, loaned by W. E. Derris, for the occasion.

The next business meeting of the Club will be January 22, in the Chamber of Commerce rooms and Mrs. M. M. Beck will be the leader.

MOST CONGRESSMEN BELONG TO CHURCH

Chicago, Ill., December 13.—That the churches are well represented in both houses of Congress is evidenced by a statement, issued by the Board of Temperance, Prohibition, and Public Morals of the Methodist Episcopal Church which recently made a survey and issued the following statement today:

Out of a total of 435 members of Congress, twenty-four are non-members, and church affiliation of ninety-eight could not be ascertained. The following are the church affiliations:

United Brethren, Mormon, Independent, Mennonite, Dutch Reformed, Evangelical have one member each. There are two Universalists. There are three members of the Quaker Church and three of the Jewish church. Five Unitarians, ten Disciples ten Lutherans; eleven Christians, eighteen Catholics, twenty-three Congregationalists, thirty-five Episcopalians, twenty-nine Baptists, fifty-six Presbyterians and ninety-nine Methodists.

In the Senate the survey showed that out of a total of ninety-six Senators the church affiliations of twenty-three was unknown and four were non-members. There was one Protestant Episcopalian, one Christian. The Lutherans, Dutch Reformed, Unitarians and Mormons all have two members each. There are six Catholics and six Baptists, seven Congregationalists, eleven Presbyterians, twelve Episcopalians and seventeen Methodists.

JAPANESE RICE POP CORN

Not the tough kind, but the kind that melts in your mouth. Ask your grocer for it.

CLAUD JOHNSON
R 3 Sikeston, Mo.

666 cures Malarial Fever.

Miss Elsie Smart expects to leave Sunday morning to spend Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Smart, of Hazen, Ark.

The State Club basketball games at the Chillicothe Business College are producing some excellent material, both boys and girls, from which will later be selected the college teams.

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Practical Gift Suggestions

Practical gifts are the most acceptable gifts. They represent value and make a lasting impression. Whether to father, mother, sister, brother, husband, wife, sweetheart or friend—this year, above all, make your presents represent value.

A Few of the Many Items To Be Found Here:

Men's Suits	Underware
Men's Overcoats	Silk Sox
Gaberdine Coats	Wool Sox
Raincoats	Silk Hose
Boys' Suits	Linen Handkfs.
Boys' Overcoats	Initial Handkfs.
Boys' Sweaters	Silk Ties
Men's Sweaters	Knit Ties
Ladies' Sweaters	Auto Gloves
Men's Hats	Dress Gloves
Men's Caps	Traveling Bags
Boys' Hats	Bath Robes
Boys' Caps	Ladies Shoes
Silk Shirts	Men's Shoes
Wool Shirts	Children's Shoes
Madras Shirts	House Slippers
Pajamas	

The merchandise featured in this store is of the nationally known type, and reflects that character of quality always desired in gifts.

Let Us Help You With Your Christmas Shopping

Buckner-Ragsdale Store Co.

Leading Men's Store of Sikeston

SANTA CLAUS LETTERS

Santa:
Please bring me a diamond of conspicuous size—
I eagerly hanker to flaunt it
Not only to dazzle some envious eyes
But I want what I want 'cause I want it.

LAURA RUHL.

Dear Santa:
I want a pretty Ball—I do by Jinks but I don't want a Jinx.

DOC OLD.

P. S. Also please bring me a herd of Russian Wolf-hounds.

Santa Dear:
The bread "like mother makes" is mighty fine but I'm a busy lady—too busy to cook—and I want a "Bread Mixer."

EVA CARTER.

Dear St. Nicholas:
Please bring me a book on "How to Make Love Like a City Guy."

JUBE BARRETT.

Santa Dear:
Please bring me a large gilt picture frame—just like Allie Howard's got.

HAZEL STUBBS.

Dear St. Nick:
Please bring me a Frisco annual pass to Osceola, Ark.

CHRIS FRANCIS.

Santa Dear:
Please bring my Daddy a gun that will sure hit a quail.

CHARLES ALLEN COOK.

P. S. Better bring a box of salt too, maybe he can slip up on 'em.

C. A. C.

Dear Santa:
Just bring me a year's supply of gasoline for my Ford. I want to make frequent trips to Oran—but don't tell Jean Hirschberg.

"DOC" REUBER.

Dear Santa:
"Helen of Troy" in days of old
Just simply knocked the fellows cold,
Now a "Sutton" other maid of Troy
Has got my goat—oh! Joy, Oh! Joy.
Just fill her heart with love for me
And I'll be happy. Gosh! By Gee!

HEINIE HENRY.

Santa Dear:
I've always been strong for all of "Heinz's 7 varieties", but just bring me the new variety that they carry at the Farmer's Grocery.

HOWARD MORRISON.

Santan Claus:
When you get started on your trip this year
Will you do me a favor—Eh! Old Dear
Slip up to the Harrisburg High School ground
(And make sure that no one else is around)
Just wad up some paper and pour on some oil,
Then light a match and let the dern thing boil.
That will make me happy as happy can be
For they can't have any more school, you see.

"DOC" TOM McCLURE.

Dear Santa:
I'm crazy about mechanical toys and I'm wild for one of those dolls that will cry "Mama" when you put it over your shoulder. It will be fine to entertain the girls who call at the store.

GEORGE LOUGH.

Dear Santa:
That present you brought me last year—I can't "Barrett"—Bring me a nice book I'd rather "Reed".

BURNICE TANNER.

Dear Santa:
I'm sorry I changed my name the other night to Ike Tyewatter. Please bring my old name back.

OLLIE SAMS.

Dear Santa:
Last year I penned you a note
That you disregarded some way.
Did you think I live in a land too remote
To make the trip with reindeer and sleigh?
Now, please sir, refer to your last year file
And attend to my order this year.
And I'll wear an everlasting smile
Unless a wife proves too "dear".

"DOC" P. KENDALL.

Santa Dear:
If you'll just bring everything my Little Man wants, I'll be the happiest girl in town.

ELEANOR McRAE.

Dear Santa:
Please bring me a book on "How To Charm an Italian Songster."

PERSIS de CANT.

Dear Santa:
Please do this for my Xmas present—Call a railroad strike in Illinois—to last during the holidays and then freeze the Mississippi river so the boats can't run.

ALLIE HOWARD.

Dear Santa:
Please bring me a new manicure set I've worn out my old one.

CHARLES BLANTON, JR.

Dear Santa:
Please bring me lots and lots of quails so I can supply all these young matrons who want qual for their dinner parties.

"DOC" ANTHONY.

Dear Santa:
Please don't tell where my diamond stud is and I'll not ask for a single present.

RUSKIN McCOY.

The Story of Our States

By JONATHAN BRACE

XVIII.—LOUISIANA



THE discovery of Louisiana dates back to the beginning of the Sixteenth century, when the Spanish explorers, Alvarez de Pineda and De Soto sailed up the Mississippi. In 1682 La Salle descended the Mississippi and took possession of the entire valley in the name of the French king, Louis XIV. In his honor this region was named Louisiana. French colonies soon sprang up, including New Orleans, which was founded in 1718.

An interesting chapter of Louisiana was the formation of the Company of the West by a financial schemer named John Law. This company ostensibly was to exploit the new colony and held out to speculators an alluring get-rich-quick scheme.

In 1763 France ceded Louisiana east of the Mississippi to England, and, by secret treaty, New Orleans and the western territory went to Spain. Spanish rule proved unendurable to the inhabitants and the restrictions over the navigation of the Mississippi led to hostilities between the northern American settlements and Spain. This situation, however, was brought to a peaceful termination by Spain relinquishing her rights to this territory to France and the purchase in 1803 by the United States from France of the entire Louisiana territory.

The southern portion of this acquisition was organized as the territory of Orleans and in 1812 was admitted as the eighteenth state of the Union, with an area of 48,506 square miles. As the Louisiana coat-of-arms has a pelican in its center, the state is often called the Pelican State.

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Public Auction

Wed. Dec. 21, 1921

At my place, the Hollingsworth Farm, 5 miles Southeast of Sikeston, I will sell the following ive stock and farming impments:

Several head of work stock, milch cows, sows and pigs, Massey-Harris binder, Deering mower, Deering corn planter, wheat drill, hay buck, plows, cultivators, farm wagons, harness and many other miscellaneous articles too numerous too mention.

TERMS—Cash under tend dollars, 12 months time on sums over $10.00. Six per cent off for cash. Good note with 8 per cent interest.

Sale Starts at 10:00 A. M.

Lunch Will Be Served On the Grounds.

THOS. SUTTON

COL. LOUIS JONES, Auctioneer

FARM WANTED

In Southeast Missouri in exchange for this desirable 476.76 acre stock and grain farm in the best blue grass section of Pike County, Mo., (100 mi. north of St. Louis) and close to a splendid county seat town affording good market and shipping facilities. Two shipping points within ½ mile of place. About 200 acres of this is fine bottom land, balance gently rolling and will set to blue grass. Over seven miles woven wire fencing. Two large barns, one of which is said to be the best in the county. Good 5-room cottage. Numerous other outbuildings. This farm is in a neighborhood of well improved farms and is in a good state of cultivation. School house on corner of farm. Hard surfaced State Highway through place. We regard this as a farm that will pay big dividends on the investment. The price on this farm is right. No encumbrance and want to exchange for land in Southeast Missouri at least partially developed and improved. Will assume some encumbrance if price is right.

C. F. BRUTON

Real Estate & Invst. Co., Sikeston,

A complete line of house slippers for all.—Pinnell Store Co.

J. GOLDSTEIN,

Purchaser of Scrap Iron Old Metal of All Kinds Rags, Feathers and Rubber

Located in J. A. Matthews' Wagon Yard

Cash paid for everything

GLASSES



If I have sold you glasses that are not giving entire satisfaction, bring 'em back to me.

DR. LONG

Eye Specialist Kready Bldg.



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Poland China Hog Sale

Tuesday, February 14, 1922

40 Head Bred Sows and Gilts **40**

HERD BOARS

Col. Pickett The Son of Pan Julius Caesar

McCord Bros. Barn, Sikeston

C. L. BLANTON & SONS

Story of the Sponge

Few persons realize that the "raw" sponge is very different from the toilet variety familiar to all.

Before 1914 the finest qualities and largest quantities of our sponges came from the Mediterranean—the chief grounds being off the Greek and Turkish islands—thence through the Dardanelles to the Sea of Marmora, and so along the coast of Asiatic Turkey and Syria to Cyprus.

Here the sponges are brought up by divers, either stripped or attired in full diving costume.

When sponges first reach the surface they present a fleshy-looking appearance, the substance being covered with a firm skin, or membrane, in which apertures appear and disappear seemingly at the animal's will.

When cut, the interior is somewhat like raw meat in appearance, being intersected by numerous canals and cavities. The cavities are filled with a sticky fluid of greyish-brown color, termed "milk".

This is the only living portion of the animal, and must needs be removed immediately; otherwise putrefaction speedily sets in and destroys the elastic nature of the sponge.

If this operation is not performed on board before the vessel reaches shore, the filled sponge bags are dispatched with all speed to the gathering grounds. There the fluid is removed and various cleaning and bleaching processes transform the raw sponge into a beautiful lemon-yellow color.

This done, the sponges pass to other hands for trimming to shape, and later they go to the graders, who sort them according to quality and size. The next process is that of drying, after which they are weighed.

Bankers of Scott County held their regular monthly meeting at Commerce Wednesday evening. The Bank of Commerce being the host for the evening. The following banks of Sikeston were represented by the Bank of Sikeston, Lacy Allard; Citizens Bank, Charles and Girard Dover; Peoples Bank, R. F. and Paul Anderson. About thirty-five were in attendance and a very enjoyable and profitable evening was enjoyed by all.

The Masonic lodge held their election of officers at their last meeting with the following officers elected:

A. A. Harrison, Worshipful Master.
A. C. Barrett, Senior Warden.
E. E. Arthur, Junior Warden.
R. F. Anderson, Treasurer.
H. C. Young, Secretary.
A. C. Johnson, Tiler.

The other places to be filled by appointment and will be announced at the time of the installation of the officers.

Lutheran services Sunday evening at 7 p. m. at the City Hall.

ROOM AND BOARD—In modern home at $8 per week.—Mrs. Leroy Moore, 335 Gladys Street. 3t

The Eastern Sar held their regular election of officers and a complete list will appear in Tuesday's Standard.

Here They Are!

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HEAVY MOVEMENT OF GRAIN AT BUFFALO'S LAKE PORT

Buffalo, N. Y., Dec. 13.—Nearly a quarter of a billion bushels of grain have been received by lake and rail thus far this season, indicating a high record for 10 years of grain in the history of the port.

Every elevator on the water front is full, and 54 freightres are moored in the outer harbor with 23,000,000 bushels of grain in their holds. Some of the grain afloat will be moved on to the seaboard by rail before the harbor freezes, but much will be held aboard until spring.

Up to the present 179,649,000 bushels of grain—wheat, corn, oats, barley and rye—have been elevated from lake steamers—28,000,000 are afloat in the harbor; the rail movement is estimated at 35,000,000 bushels, and an additional 15,000,000 bushels are expected from upper lake ports before the season closes, a total of 252,649,000 bushels.

Get the little girl one of those kid boy dolls.—Pinnell Store Co.

Pumpkins make a useful supplement to the livestock ration. The field pumpkin contains about 10 per cent of dry matter and is chiefly of value because of its succulence. Hogs relish pumpkins and the seed in the pumpkins act as a worm expeller and put the digestive tract of the hog in good condition. The seeds should never be removed when feeding pumpkins because they are rich in proteins and oil. Raw pumpkins have proven to be equally as satisfactory for feeding to hogs as are the cooked ones.

Laws Allowing Combinations of Farmers To Be Advocated.

Washington, Dec. 13.—Legislation to legalize co-operative combinations of farmers for marketing and distribution of their products, and to provide for agricultural attaches at American consulates in foreign countries, will be recommended by the joint Congressional Commission of Agricultural Inquiry, according to Chairman Anderson, who announced today that part of the commission's report would be made public before the end of the month.

The report, he said, also will stress the need for more adequate wholesale terminal facilities.

Findings of the commission, according to present plans, will be divided into four reports, the first to deal with the agricultural crisis and its causes, to be followed by reports relating to credit, to be followed by reports relating to credit, transportation, distribution and marketing. The commission, which was to have made a final report by the first of the year, has asked consent of Congress to submit the last of its findings by next April 15.

Represented in the complete report of the commission, M. R. Anderson said, will be the labor of 200 committees and 3000 co-operators, as well as th ework involved in answering approximately 20,000,000 questions set forth in 25,000 questionnaires.

Lyman Gross is the happy father of a baby girl that arrived at his home Sunday morning. Little Eagle and her mother are doing nicely.

Protecting The Mails.

Gov. Blaine of Wisconsin has asked Postmaster-General Hays to take the marine guards off the trains in that State and has served Secretary of the Navy Denby with a requisition to produce in court a marine who shot a man stealing a ride on a train. The marine though the man was a mail robber. The marines were put on the mail trains because outlawry was making the security of the mails a joke. Mail robbers were holding up trains and were looting the mails in the terminals of large cities. They were running off with hundreds of thousands of dollars. The marines were put on the mail cars with orders to shoot. They were instructed that they had to fight no matter if the robbers got the jump on them. The man shot by the marine in Wisconsine was doing an illegal thing in boarding the train. The marine thought he was trying to commit a criminal act, the very act against which he was on guard. He is answerable to the authority which gave him his orders. The Navy Department may have to adjust the case with the civil authorities and reconcile civil and military justice, but Mr. Hays, cannot be influenced by parochial protests against the method used to safeguard the mails. Gov. Blaine is not responsible for the security of the mails. The Federal Government is. The Federal Government cannot train its soldiers to expect that if they obey orders they will land in a county jail. It cannot train outlaws to look for easy money every time they see a mail bag.--Chicago Tribune

FURTHER ARRESTS IN BENTON BURGLARY

Benton, Mo. Dec. 12.—Several more arrests are expected as a result of the investigation following the burglarizing of the Frisco freight depot here on September 25 last. Confessions are said to have been obtained from some of those now in custody.

Three women and five men are now held. Those under arrest are: Mabel Hill, Ella Muir, Maggie Skyles, all of Chaffee; W. O. Gilmer, brakeman, of Oran; Eli Cable, engineer, Oran; Wm. Muir, Rich Skles and Hillman Hill of Chaffee. Several cases of shoes were taken. It is reported that part of the loot was found in the homes of some of those arrested.—Cape Sun.

Breed from a lengthy boar and lengthy sows, and try to get depth with the length. There are too many short, overfat bacon pigs on the market already. At any rate don't mate two short ones if you want your job to be profitable.

C. L. Blanton & Sons, Sikeston, Mo., have a litter by The Dynamo which they believe will set the tongues of breeders a wagging. Three of the pigs in this litter were shown at the Southeast Missouri District Fair recently and were awarded first money with 21 entries. "We could have been in the money with three more pigs from this same litter", write Blanton & Sons, "but they will be in our offering which will be sold in February bred to Col. Pickett."—Poland China Journal.

Hyde Names Another Judge.

Jefferson City, Mo., December 12.—Governor Hyde today appointed Xenophon Caverno of New Madrid as Presiding Judge of the County Court of New Madrid County, vice L. M. Sarff, resigned.

There will no longer be any trouble in distinguishing the Twins of the Bear Ford community, as one of them had an ear bitten off while engaged in a free-for-all fight at a dance at the Wild Rose school house Saturday night.

Clarence Bruton held a sale at Sikeston, Mo., in November and made an average of $66. He writes me this is the smallest average he ever made. If Mr. Bruton will read all the sale reports of Iowa, Missouri, Indiana and other states he won't find many men made a better average this year. He will hold a bred-sow sale in January and at the time he will feature his Checkers boar. Here is a Checkers boar all will like, to my mind he is the best Checkers boar living. I, however, haven't seen them all. But the man that has a better boar by Checkers than Clarence Bruton of Sikeston has the best one. This boar was raised by Elmer Gardhouse and the entire litter was the best I saw last summer. Mr. Bruton's herd now embraces the utmost in breeding and individual merit, and includes wonderful sows by Liberator, The Clansman, The Pilot, Long Joe, Masterpiece, The Dynamo, Col. Pickett and some great gilts by his own boars, Royal Clansman and Big Evolution.—Poland China Journal.

BOAD OF HEALTH EXTENDS TIME FOR VACCINATION

Jefferson City, Mo., December 12.—The State Board of Health has delayed the going into effect of a resolution adopted at a meeting of the board in St. Louis, December 9, requiring persons traveling on railroad trains or street railways outside of the corporate limits of cities, to present evidence of having been vaccinated within the past three years. The original resolution was made effective December 15. The date has now been extended until December 22, and meantime the board will hold a meeting at Kansas City, December 20.

Miss Mary Gill was a visitor in Parma this week and was a guest at a dinner party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Pierce.

After marketing a carload of 8-months-old hogs at Kansas City at the top price in this class, Leon Turner, Kingsville, Mo., remarked that hogs are made at a far younger age now than years ago. "These hogs but 8 months old weighed 241 pounds," said Mr. Turner, as he told of the big improvement in hog raising. "We are using better breeding stock now, and are devoting more attention to our hogs at present. In my neighborhood vaccination is very general, and seldom do we hear of a case of hog cholera. This care and better breeding stock has resulted in the making of a good marketable hog at the age of 8 months, instead of carrying our hogs along until they are over a year old. This change has proven a great advantage to the farmer."

PECK TO BE NOMINATED REPEATEDLY TILL ACCEPTED

Washington, Decmeber 13.—Refusal by the Senate to confirm the nomination of Maj. R. J. Peck for promotion to the grade of Lieutenant Colonel has been interpreted by the War Department in a manner which calls for repeated submissions of the nomination to the Senate on each occasion of a vacancy in the grade of Lieutenant Colonel.

A statement issued today by the War Department explaining its interpretation of the Senate's action says that body had in effect taken disciplinary action on Maj. Peck, and therefore should have the opportnity to decide if such action should continue or be concluded.

"The nomination of Maj. Peck for promotion", the statement says, "will, therefore, be submitted to the Senate for confirmation to fill the first vacancy in the grade of Lieutenant Colonel arising subsequent to the date of the Senate's action."

The nomination of Maj. Peck, who served with the Thirty-fifth (Kansas-Missouri) Division, with the rank of Brigadier General was rejected by the Senate at the recent extra session after a long fight, led by the Kansas and Missouri Senators, who pressed charges that the Major, while in France with the division, made remarks derogatory to the division. The fight over the nomination held up the promotion of a number of junior officers.

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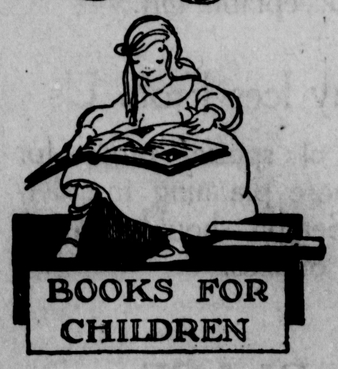


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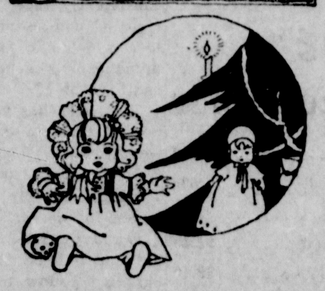
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Deliberate Obstruction

The referendum devised by William Hirth, head of the so-called "Missouri Farmers' Association", to obstruct the operation of the new road law for at least a year is a direct and unprovoked blow in the race of progress.

The people and the State Legislature have spoken decisively and repeatedly in favor of a system of permanent and adequate roads spread equitably over the State. For this purpose the people in 1920 voted for a bond issue of $60,000,000. Last August they reaffirmed this expression of their will by voting an amendment permitting the payment of interest on the bonds from the automobile license fund.

The Legislature, after passing the road law at its regular session, not without concession to the dirt-roads minority, voted at its special session a few weeks ago to advance the date of issuance of the bonds from March, 1923, to March, 1922—for two reasons: one to hasten roads construction, the other to afford work to the unemployed.

Mr. Hirth cannot hope permanently to defeat this project of the people. All he can do is to obstruct and delay it. He will do this by invoking the referendum for a purpose for which it was never intended. The purpose of the referendum is to afford the voters of the State an appeal from the action of an unrepresentative Legislature. As shown by the two expressions of the popular will already mentioned the Legislature on this subject is not unrepresentative. It has enacted the will of the people, and now Mr. Hirth proposes, by the signature of 5 per cent of the voters in each of two-thirds of the congressional districts of the State, to nullify for the period of a year the people's expressed will.

Is it the interest of the farmer as a class that Mr. Hirth's raid on good roads is conceived? Obviously, the business, pleasure, poperty values, the very life, of the farmer are more dependent on permanent, all-year roads than the corresponding interests of the city dweller.

By the new road law all these purposes of the farmer are served. And who pays the bill? The bonds to build the roads are to be retired by a motor license tax, and the Secretary of State's record from November, 1920, to June, 1921, shows that $994,163, or nearly one-half, of the total of $2,138,1600 of automobile license receipts for the period were paid by residents of the seven leading cities of the State and the counties in which they are located. It is estimated from this record, moreover, that 85 per cent of the license receipts are paid from cities and towns of 1000 population and over.

Can it be that farmers will take any part in defeating a proposition of which they are the chief beneficiaries and for which another class foots most of the bills? Does the farmer, under the dirt-roads leadership of William Hirth, realize that he is hamstringing his own interests? A signature on the Hirth referendum petitions is a signature opposed to the welfare of the farmer and to the progress of the State.—Post-Dispatch.



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Southern Blood.

This is a phrase which has been a great deal used without any particular meaning. As a rule it comes tumbling from the lips of some politician who with senseless sound and fury attempts to whoop 'em up by making them believe they are the best people on earth and he is the best man on earth to represent them. In other words the phrase is usually bunk. Southern blood is human blood and when it ceases to be so, it is unworthy blood. Hot blooded, and warm blooded, etc., means absolutely nothing except a rather awkward way of expressing social predisposition. For example, who would differentiate between the puritans of Plymouth Rock and the cavaliers of Jamestown? All Englishmen, and all having blood of the same thermal quality. It is merely a phrase.

We say this, having fully in mind those generous and lovable qualities which the phrase is sometimes used to describe. There is a great deal that is admirable, a great deal that is noble in the south, and on the other hand there is much to be regretted. No section of America may properly speak of northern, southern, eastern or wester blood. It is all American blood. The original leaven of Anglo Saxon and Scotch Irish leavens the whole lump, no matter how small the lump of leaven may be, it is there a power within the mass, absolutely controlling and giving it character.

Southern blood! The text preceding more rhodomontade and bunk than any we know. And let it be understood right here that we who write are proudly of the south by birth, tradition, education and habitation. But while we are proud of the south we are not proud of all of its folly, nor even all of its foibles. We recognize the principle of growth and development, as the controlling and only worthy principle of the world. We grow tired of seeing these chauvinistic ideas which someone now and than flaunts in the face of the world as something sacred. As a matter of fact they are dead and should be buried, and their memory treated with the reverence due the dead. Remembered with pride and venerated as among our stately traditions.

The ghastly folly of such stuff never received more emphatic illustration than when Senator Watson of Georgia, excused a violent and indecent eruption of temper before a dignified committee by speaking of his southern blood. This committee was investigating charges recklessly made by this irresponsible senator, and because of the expression on the face of any army officer present, this doughty warrior of the tongue offered to "slap his face for two pennies". It is not recorded that anyone cared to see "two penny worth" of face slapping. And this undisciplined creature excused himself by pleading the ardent fire of his southern blood. This man who in his unbalanced fury has attacked everything from the sacred home of God on earth, His church, to every fundamental principle of private and public life; who has let his tongue get busy with the honor of the American army and the honor of the army nurses, who has never been consistently true to any single principle of politics since he forced himself into public life, now excuses his unmannerly violence by setting up his southern blood.

The south has had much to bear. It passed through destruction and reconstruction. It bore uncomplainingly its decades of post-war evils. It has struggled bravely in the face of the legend of defeat, emerging triumphant and patriotic at the summons to national defense in 1898 and 1917. It has had yellow fever, cholera, influenza and floods, but never has it been cursed with so uncalled for disaster as the nativity of this ridiculous Watson. We have borne everything tragic with dignity and fortitude. It is asking too much that we be made ridiculous by having this cipher in the worlds sum plead southern blood!

How Georgia, which has produced such men as Robert Toombs, Ben Hill, Alexander H. Stephens and the incomparable John B. Gordon, and L. Q. C. Lamar could have stopped to acclaim this man we cannot understand.—Commercial Appeal.

The Maternity Law.

Among the measures which attracted wide attention was the so-called Sheppard-Towner maternity bill, which the President signed Wednesday. This law, designed to disseminate information regarding maternity with the view to eliminating evils resulting from improper hygiene, was sponsored by women's organizations throughout the country and was enacted only after a hard fight, many members of the House and Senate opposing it.

Senator Morris Sheppard of Texas, the author, tells how the law will operate and what it is designed to accomplish, as follows:

Under this act Federal and State governments will co-operate in making available for mothers and infants instruction in the hygiene of maternity and infancy. It developed in the hearing on this measure before congressional committees that nearly 18,000 mothers and nearly 200,000 infants under one year of age are perishing every year in the United States from causes most of which could be removed by proper instruction and information. It developed further that practically three-fourths of all women dying from causes connected with child-birth in the United States perish from two diseases which could almost always be prevented by possession of proper knowledge; that many who do not die are permanently invalided from causes mostly preventable through proper information.

The object of the maternity act is to convey this information to the mothers of America to make life safer for them and their offspring, to prevent the present enormous waste of the lives of mothers and children in the United States. This information will be made available through consultation centers supervised by public health nurses and reputable physicians and through extension courses by qualified lecturers from approved educational institutions, thru the dissemination of the results of investigations by the Children's Buureau of the Department of Labor bor and other suitable methods.

The act will be administered under the general supervision of the children's bureau in connection with a national Advisory Committee composed of the head of the children's bureau, the head of the Public Health Service and the United States Commissioner of Education. The active administration of the law will rest with the State agencies and the local centers, the authority of the Federal Government being limited to approval or disapproval of plans submitted by States accepting the act, to the issuance of Federal allotments, or their withdrawal if a State should cease to observe the spirit of the act, all decisions in this regard being subject however, to appeal to the President of the United States.

In other words, the Federal authorities under the act have only such authority as will insure the expediture of Federal funds in the manner intended by Congress. Every State accepting the act and complying with its provisions gets $10,000 the first year, and $5000 for four succeeding years, regardless of any appropriation of its own, and, in addition, each year that approportion of approximately $1,000,000, which its population bears to the population of the Union provided its Legislature appropriates an equal sum.

The act contains no compulsion of any kind on states or individuals. The entry into any home over the objection of the parent is specifically prohibited. The life of the act is limited to five years. It is the hope and belief of those who have sponsored the act that its usefulness will have been so thoroughly demonstrated long befor the expiration of five years that it will be made a permanent policy of the Republic

Gape Allsup got a job at a saw-mill over near Bear Ford and stuck to the job only one day. Gape says he has always imagined he would like to work at a saw-mill and now he can turn his imaginations into other channels.

POLITICAL LETTER FROM WASHINGTON

By Wallace Bassford

Washington, D. C.—The President still closely imitating his predecessor, appeared in person before the joint assemblage of Congress and delivered his message, reading from the manuscript. This had never been done since the days of Jefferson until President Wilson began it. However, the concensus of opinion around the chamber, after the reading, was that t had fallen flat—was heavy and uninteresting. Senator Bob LaFollette's remark, "It sounds like he wrote it himself", will not bring that insurgent into better standing at the White House when the President hears of it. Of course, it caused a laugh, for everyone in the inner circles about the Capitol had heard the gossip about how ex-Senator George Sutherland of Utah was considerate relieving the President of the somewhat onerous task of writing his speeches. Color has been lent to the story by the long sojourn of the former Senator at Marion while the campaign was on, together with his trips with the nominee. Now the Senator is spending practically all his time in Washington, where nice pieces of patronage find their way into his hands. For instance, he receives $5,000 per year from the Shipping Board to furnish opinions "when desired". He was also placed on the board to receive the various properties of the packers recently dismembered by law. The Senator is noted for the grace with which he wields the typewriter.

The Democrats thought they had it firmly imbedded in the law that preference in appointments in the Governmental service should be given to men who served in the World War, not merely as an appreciation of their patriotic service but to aid in compensating for business disadvantages suffered through their absence from their accustomed walk of life. President Wilson approved the law with his signature and upheld it in practice, as well as the civil service law providing for the selection of the person making the highest rating in the examination. Almost as soon as Mr. Harding became President he issued an order rendering it unnecessary to name the person making the highest rating, and then proceeded, through his subordinates, to put the law as to former service men in the discard. Numerous cases have occurred where the former service man was refused the appointment though he had shown a higher rating in the examination than the one receiving the appointment. One of these cases occurred in the Congressional bailiwick of Mr. Flood of Virginia. At the town of Bremo Bluff, a vacancy was to be filled in the rural carrier service and an examination was held under the Civil Service law, in which a man named Seay, who fought in France, made the grade of 85.40, but a man named Glass, a Republican who had devoted his time to politics while Seay was in France, making a grade of 79.50, got the job. Mr. Flood took up the cudgels for the ex-soldier, but the Fourth Assistant Postmaster General informed him that he had information tending to show that Glass was the better fitted for the work. Of course this merely meant that the Republican boss or "referee" had named Glass. Mr. Flood, thinking that a man who could round up German soldiers in the Argonne could handle the rural route job, wrote to the Fourth Assistant, concluding with this paragraph:

"I want to say to you frankly that the only conclusion I can reach is that Glass was appointed because he was a Republican and Seay a Democrat. Under this Republican administration we may have to submit to the disregard of their rights, but we do not intend to submit quietly."

Only a year or so ago the Republicans were talking of impeaching President Wilson for refusing to abrogate thirty-odd commercial treaties at the command of the Republican Congress in the Jones Bill. President Harding said in his message that it would cause a highly chaotic conditin to abrogate them. Another vindication of the Democratic President.

Congressman Wood of Indiana is a tall, spare, clean-shaven man of good ability—one of the Republican leaders in the House. If he isn't an elder in the church, he at least looks like one, but he used a very amphatic word in the House the other day, and when his remarks were handed him for revision he didn't change a letter in them. Here it is: "I am only speaking the truth when I say the people of this country employed in every vocation and in every character of business are giving this Congress hell. They are doing it because we have done nothing to stimulate business. They are doing it because we have done nothing to give employment to the unemployed. They are doing it because we have done nothing to benefit the farmer and stimulate the price of the farmer's products."

Time surely brings its changes; in 1919 the workmen cried defiantly, "No beer, no work." Only two years, and now they have neither.

Why the Farmer Is Sore.

The city food expert of Chicago reports that the egg supply of that city is controlled by three men who are making a profit of $30,000 a day selling "fresh" eggs at 50 to 53 cents a dozen which they bought last March at 19 1-2 cents.

Thus it is shown again that the cold storage utility, which should be a boon to man, has become a boon chiefly to the profiteer, a purloiner of food from the mouths of the poor and a burden on production. The farmer gets a pittance, the storage monopolist gets a fortune and the consumer gets an inferior food at an exorbitant price.

What wonder that the farmer is organizing to control his own markets and block legislation! What wonder that we have Townleyism and Socialism! What is the next move? Manifestly, the people are not always going to stand for unconscionable plundering of food speculators. Profiteering in food by nonproducing manipulators must be stopped.—Post-Dispatch.

If you hear any voter talking in favor of dirt roads instead of hard surfaced roads try and show him the error of his way.

Monday, December 19, the Republicans of Scott County will hold mass meetings in the townships of the county to select delegates to attend a convention to be held in Sikeston December 27, to elect delegates to the Constitutional Convention to be voted upon January 31, 1922.

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The Standard is always sorry to hear of a man or woman getting into trouble and if it be the first offense, giving them a chance to mend their ways and make a useful citizen, but when they get into trouble a dozen times, the penitentiary is the place they should be.

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The South has been, and now is, wonderfully handicapped in the Halls of Congress by having had such asses as Ben Tillman of South Carolina, Vardeman of Mississippi and Jeff Davis of Arkansas, to represent them at Washington. The two montebanks on the boards at the present time are one Blanton of Texas, and Tom Watson of Georgia. What the South needs is level headed patriots and not rattle-brained cranks.

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WHAT VANISHED RACE PEOPLED SOUTH SEA

The original inhabitants of Oceanica, says the National Geographic Magazine, naturally belong to two distinct classes or divisions of the human family, beginning first of all with the Polynesians, comprising the Maoris, Samoans, Fijans and Tongans, whose racial affinities are still in dispute. In physical characteristics they are round headed, narrow nosed, of a light brown cafe-au-lait color, with round orbits and lank, black hair. They are tall and well set up.

On the other hand the second division, known to ethnologists as Melanesians, are long headed, broad nosed, of a sooty, black color, with low orbits, black, frizzly hair, and are comparatively short of stature. Intellectually they are of a lower order than the former class, some being cannibals and head hunters.

In the primitive state the Melanesian are savage and not infrequently treacherous, in contrast to the Polynesians, who, on the other hand, are altogether a superior race of people, intelligent and capable of reaching a high standard of culture, as shown by the positions they have gained in the public service in New Zealand and Hawaii.

But even the Melanesians of the present, with the exception of those comparatively few natives living in remote and isolated inland vilages, are not the same class of people as those met with in the early day of missionary enterprise, when pioneering intercourse was not always attended with freedom from danger to the white trade, recruiter of labor or planter. Now it is an easy matter to land on any of the islands and do business with the natives without risk of hostile attack. The Pollynesian of today is in point of fact a keen trader and fully alive to the advantages of western civilization.

As to the origin of these Pacific islanders, opinions differ, it being held by some authorities that they have been allied to various races, including the Aryans, the American aborigines and the Paupans.

In the writer's view, there can be no doubt that the islands of Polynesia were originally peopled by Phoenicians, whose migratory influence extended to the coast of Peru. This theory is strongly supported by the presence of the numerous cyclopean monuments, huge monolithic statues, paved avenues, and ramparts of walls of basaltic blocks over thirty feet in length, brought from great distances on Eastre Island and in the Carolines. It is evident that none of the present races could erect such immense structures as these.

The remarkable ruins of ancient settlement in the Caroline Islands are one of the mysteries of Polynesia and probably never will be solved. When it is considered that some of the stones forming the walls of these extensive ruins are of immense size and are supposed to have been brought from other islands of the group across storm-tossed channels and placed in their present position with precision and masterly skill, it is apparent that all this could not have been done by people akin to the present inhabitants, but must have been the handiwork of skilled craftsmen similar to the builders of the ancient ruins in Peru and Mexico and perhaps, also, Africa.

If this view be accepted as reasonably sound, we may assume that Polynesia formerly was the home of a civilization that has long since disappeared and become extinct, leaving imperishable monuments of skilled craftsmanship on Easter Island and the Carolines, or else the islanders are a decadent people.

Be this as it may, the fact remains that these ruins are a mystery to the present inhabitants of the Pacific Islands, who have no knowledge of the art of building in stone and are ignorant of architecture, apart from their own primitive huts.

Even native tradition is singularly slent as to the orgn of the nhabtants and their migratory movements among the island groups.

As to the fate of the original prehistoric inhabitants, who left such indelible traces of a higher order of civilization behind them as exists in the cyclopean ruins of the Carolines, we have no means of knowing, and mere conjecture can help but little. Whether they were overwhelmed by some mighty and widespread cataclysm or exterminated by epidemic disease will probably never be known.

It is possible these ruins may have had their origin in some migratory wave sweeping across the Pacific from the shores of Asia to the coast of South America? Had this been the case, we should expect to find some marked traces of Asiatic blood in the present inhabitants; but instead of this the dark Melanesians bear greater resemblance to the Papuans, while, next to the Patagonians, the Polynesians are the tallest people on the globe and are allied to the Maoris of New Zealand.

Give us you order for fine juicy beef roast.—Sellards Meat Market, Phone 48.

It is a fallacy among stockbreeders, and yet a very common one, that almost anything will do to breed from. Too much stress cannot be laid on the fact that in every class of stock both sire and dam should be as typical of the breed they represent as possible.

There is a big demand now in the towns of South Missouri for corks that will fit soda pop bottles, by bootleggers to house their supply of white mule that they retail in the country. In one of the largest towns of South Missouri one of the bottling plants recently was compelled to order a car load of bottles because so many they had were stolen. Fruit jars are not so popular with bootleggers. It hurts a person's nose to drink from a fruit jar and a sore nose is a sure sign of a bootlegger's customer.—Howell County Gazette.

Christmas Shopping List

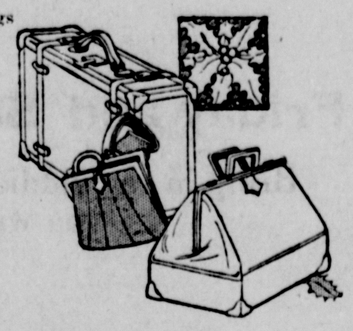
We offer you nothing of the temporary, wotthless articles that give pleasure only for the moment, but we do have a vast array of good, sensible articles that will make gifts of the better sort and will give delight for many days after the Holidays are past.



Here are a few of the many things we have for you:
Ladies' Waists.
Ladies' Gowns.
Ladies' Undergarments.
Ladies' Blouses.
Ladies' Gloves.
Ladies Nightgowns.
Ladies' Handkerchiefs—
Men's and Boys' Handkerchiefs—
Plain,
Fancy,
Linen,
Initial and
Embroidered.

Ladies' Neckwear.
Ladies' Combs.
Ladies' Hand Bags.
Ladies' Traveling Bags.
Ladies' Dresses.
Ladies' Skirts.
Ladies' Coats.
Ladies' Pins.

Ladies' Hosiery
Black and
All Colors,
Lisle,
Silk,
Cotton,
In Plain and
Fancy Designs.



For the men folk our stock is no less complete. The man or boy whose gift is purchased at our store will be delighted and will be truly grateful for the thoughtfulness of the giver. Here are a few suggestions:

Men's and Boys' Hose—
Cotton,
Lisle,
Silk,
Black and
All Colors.

Men's and Boys' Suspenders.
Men's Traveling Bags.
Men's and Boys' Pocketbooks.
Men's and Boys' Garters.
Men's and Boys' Belts.



Men's and Boys' Ties.
Men's and Boys' Collars.
Men's and Boys' Hats.
Men's and Boys' Hats.
Men's and Boys' Caps.
Men's and Boys' Gloves.
Men's and Boys' Mufflers.

Men's and Boys' Shirts—
Flannel,
Plain and
Dress.



Your Christmas Feet Should Be Well Shod

Shoes of every make and at every price are offered you at this store, from the low priced sturdy farm shoe to the highest grade shoe for social purposes. Every shoe you buy spells a genuine bargain, and every dollar you spend gets you a full dollar's worth of shoe. There are no "expensive" shoes sold here. A high price means an even higher quality, and a proportionately longer and better service. It is the only way to buy shoes. Come in and look them over.

"The Bostonian, Famous Shoes for Men" *"The Queen Quality" for Women*

These are only a few of the many things we have to show you. If you are undecided as to your gift-giving, come to our store and let us help you to make selections that will please both you and the one you wish to remember.

Citizens Store Company

Why Japan Distrusts Us.

There are two sides to every question. Let us look for a moment at Japan's. Is it not fair and reasonable to judge her by ourselves? What should we say if the Japanese charged us with planning a war against them because we are increasing our naval strength? We are building a navy for national defense. Japan is building one for precisely the seame reason. Defense against whom, you ask? Well, if you wish to know the truth, defense against the United States. For, grotesque as such an assertion as may appear to Americans, the majority of Japanese are convinced that we are deliberately trying to force a war upon them. As evidence of this, they point to the discriminatory and humiliating treatment which we have accorded to Japanese in the United States; to our opposition to Japan's legitimate ambitions on the mainland of Asia; to our blocking the insertion in the covenant of the League of Nations of a clause recognizing Japanese racial equality; to our refusal to recognize the Japanese mandate for the former German possessions in the Pacific; to our unofficial but none the less active support of China in the controversy over Shantung; to the strengthening of our naval bases at Cavite and Pearl Harbor; and finally, to the long succession of sneers, jibes and insults indulged in by American jingoes, anti-Japanese politicians and certain sections of the American press. Viewing the situation without prejudice, it seems to me that Japan has as good ground for her suspicion of us as we have for our suspicion of her.—E. Alexander Powell in Atlantic Monthly.

Diamond Tests

Is your diamond genuine? If there is any doubt in your mind the best thing is to take it to a reliable jeweler. You can, however, test the stone yourself. Here's how:

A genuine diamond immersed in a glass of water will flash and sparkle as brightly as in the air. A counterfeit gem will be almost invisible.

An imitation squeezed between two silver dollars may be crushed by the pressure of the fingers. This test, when performed by the strongest man, will not injure a diamond.

Col. Pierce of Union City, Tenn., was in Sikeston during the week. He was in this section to look after land interests in New Madrid County.

Dag Smith, who has made it a point to always get well "lickered up" during Christmas, is now wearing a disappointed look, as the Assistant Constable has been offered a reward for every moonshine still he breaks up. Dag says ordinarily the Constable would let them alone, but with a chance to make a few dollars the independent manufacturers of liquor in this section are going to have a hard time and their products will be scarce by Christmas time.

MODERN WOODEN ELECT NEW OFFICERS

Wednesday night, December 7th, the Modern Woodmen of America elected the folowing officers for the ensuing year: C. C. White, Venerable Consul, J. A. O'Hara, Worthy Advisor; P. H. Stevenson, Clerk; P. H. Gross, Banker; J. P. Gilbert, Escort; Lyman Gross, Watchman; T. M. Lewis, Sentry; Sam Potashnick, Member Board Managers, 3 years.

This is the largest fraternal society in the United States and the largest fraternal Insurance Society in the world, and it will be the effort of the new officers when installed to see that it takes its place localy. It is truly fraternal, maintains the best Sanitorium for the prevention and cure of tubercolosis in the world absolutely free to its membership, and offers the cheapest and the best life insurance obtainable.

Brings Home Strange Story.

Under the above heading the Hopkins Journal prints an interesting and strange story reported by one of the citizens of that town. John R. King had been to Chicago with a load of steers which he sold at a fair price, one that made him some money. In conclusion, the Journal says:

"Mr. King brings back a strange story from the yards—says four plain clothes men are constantly on the watch to pick up disappointed shippers who frequently topple over when they hear what their stuff sells for, frequently losing them as much as a thousand dollars a load on cattle—many are not only overcome by the blow but some attempt suicide and the plain clothes men find playing the part of guardian angel no snap."

What a startling tale to tell in these prosperous Republican times! Such a tale is fit only for the ruinous days of the Democratic periods! When guards are employed to prevent disappointed farmers and shippers from taking their own lives on account of the prices received, conditions have come to a most serious pass. Probably some of these same disappointed and ruined farmers and shippers were among those who had insisted that they wanted a change from the prosperous years preceding, but the change was different from what they expected. We know that some of the worst hurt farmers of our county are those who insisted that a change must be and did their best to bring it about. But others who differed with them have to pay the same penalty.

Most assuredly this is a very "strange story", but one which has many duplicates.—Albany Leader.

Maurice E. Frenzel, an employe of the Frisco in this city, and Miss Thelma Jenkins of Princeton, Ind., were married at the City Hall in Sikeston, Friday of last week by Justice Lescher.

GIFTS THAT WILL PLEASE

MY STOCK OF MILLINERY is complete in every detail, the styles being the latest.

Fancy Work Gifts Will Please

Numerous articles and a variety of designs make these gifts most desirable.

I wish to call attention to the fact that my stock is as complete as will be found in the state of Missouri

MISS DAISY GARDEN
SIKESTON, MO.

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WITH FARMERS SUPPLY COMPANY.
AUTO HEARSE SERVICE.

Day or Night Calls Given Prompt Attention

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RICE FROM BEGLEY FARMS SELLS FOR $1 PER BUSHEL

Poplar Bluff, Mo., Dec. 12.—A price of $1 a bushel was paid for 20,000 bushels of rice by the Empire Mills of New Orleans at a sale of that crop from the farms of George Begley, Jr., near here. The crop was grown on 400 acres. D. H. Doan, trustee of the Begley estate, made the sale, according to announcements here.

The third quarterly live stock survey of Missouri shows that Missouri farmers now have 2,898,000 cattle, 898,000 horses, 410,000 mules, 4,400,000 hogs and 1,432,000 sheep.

Rough handling of the hog before killing may cause bruises in the meat which will lead to spoiling. Careful handling of animals at butchering time is both humane and profitable.

Dag Smith says if times do not get better and food and clothing a little more plentiful the 1930 government census is going to show at least one person less in Hogville unless the census enumerators go over to the Petunia Ridge graveyard to count him.

To insure the purity of table mustard it can be made at home. Moisten four tablespoonfuls of dry mustard with two teaspoonfuls of salad oil. Add one teaspoonful of salt, one of pepper, two teaspoonful sugar and sufficient vinegar to form a paste. Beat vigorously five minutes.

Diagnosed As Referendumitis.

Gov. Hyde's view of those members of the Missouri Farmers' Association who are said to be planning a referendum holdup of the new law making it possible to sell road bonds next spring is that they will assume a "cruel responsibility" if they succeed. What it was designed to accomplish under this law was to make a beginning possible on the $60,000,000 state road program one year earlier than was authorized under the former law. The fact that such beginning would make it possible to complete the program by that much the earlier and give the public an additional year's use of the roads was alone sufficient to justify its passage. But other reasons were found in the unemployment situation. The law provides work for thousands of men next summer. That many farmers with their teams and wagons would have employment on profitable terms during a time of stress in the rural districts was one of the ends particularly sought in its enactment.

The paradox of the farmers themselves preparing an action which will cause a year's delay is an unpleasant surprise. It was supposed that prior explanations had brought all interests into agreement on the wisdom of the law. Only a misunderstanding of the facts can cause any apprehensions as to projects under the old road law. The astonishing increase in the number of motor vehicles in the state has been such that after the interest on any bonds issued next year is subtracted, the amount of the license fee fund remaining will still stand at a figure as great as when the old road law was passed. The fund will be ample to pay bond interest under the new program and also the cost of pending projects under the old program.

The plan of Farmers' Association members is puzzling, unless resort to the referendum has become a habit in Missouri so inveterate that they have lapsed into it unconsciously. Missouri assuredly is suffering from acute referendumitis.—Globe-Democrat.

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666 quickly relieves a cold.

Thieves broke into a car of feed on the Frisco tracks Monday night and carried away a quantity of feed.

Peach stains will disappear if the spot is wet with water and a layer of cream of tatar spread over it and the stained article is placed in the direct sunlight.

The hog has (in its wild and later domesticated state), made its home in practically every region of the world since the early day dawn of human history. The hog has many relatives in the animal household, and scientists prove his kinship to the rhinoceros, hippopotamus ,and the elephant—and maybe akin to some folks whose names "yours truly" does not at this moment dare to "remember".

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Buick Automobile

FOR CHRISTMAS

Filling Station Announcement

We take this method of notifying the public that we have a filling station in front of our gaage on Center Street, from which you can sec2ure gasoline, cylinder oil and cup grease at regular filling station prices.

Our central location makes us the most accessable of all gas stations. We ask you to take advantage of it.

Taylor Implement and Automobile Co.

Buick Automobiles Wallace Tractors

LOCAL AND PERSONAL FROM NEW MADRID

Walter M. Hartman and J. W. Baughn of Canalou were in New Madrid Wednesday.

G. C. Apple and W. R. Griffin of Morehouse were transacting business in New Madrid, Wednesday.

R. D. Ellington, Cashier of the Farmers Bank of Portageville was in New Madrid Tuesday evening.

Sheriff Ambrose Kerr, Circuit Clerk, Wm. Dawson and Frank Pierce were business visitors in Morehouse, Tuesday.

Miss Helen Wells left for her home in Malden Tuesday afternoon, having resigned her position as stenographer with the Farm Bureau.

Xenophon Caverno of Canalou was sworn in Presiding Judge of our county court Wednesday afternoon, having been appointed by Gov. Hyde, to fill the vacancy made by the resignation of L. M. Sarff.

The new school building at Risco will be dedicated Friday evening, at which time President Serena of the Teachers College of Cape Girardeau, Attorney R. F. Baynes of Parma and County P. J. Stearns will be present and make addresses.

Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Rauch, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Griffin, Mrs. W. R. Griffin, Rev. and Mrs. Doss, Mrs. Josie Hart, Mrs. J. W. Sarff, Mrs. Lilbourn Muririe and Miss Hattie Harp of Morehouse were among those who attended the Red Cross meeting at the Court House Wednesday.

The Wednesday afternoon club of last week met with W. T. Riley Tuesday evening. The substitutes were: Shap Hunter, Jr., Milton Mann, Lee Hummell and Miss Bessie Pruitt. Mrs. Augusta Pinnell was presented with a pretty boudoir cap for her successful playing, while Miss Pruitt was consoled with a mistic mit. A salad luncheon was served.

Twenty-three member of the Parma Christian Endeavor Society came to New Madrid on the early morning train last Sunday and spent the day as guests of the New Madrid Society. They attended Sunday School and the morning services at the Presybterian church. The Christian Endeavor choir furnishing the music for the Sunday School and also for the morning services of worship. In the aftrenoon at 2:3, they put on a "Model Christian Endeavor Prayer Meeting". Mr. Frank Williams of Decatur, Ill., rendered several beautiful selections on the saxaphone that were very much appreciated by the large congregation present. Dinner was served at the Presbyterian Manse to all of the visitors, being furnished by the members of the New Madrid Presbyterian Church. Those who accompanied the Society were: Mr. and Mrs. Frank Williams of Decatur, Ill., Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Lawson, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Pearce, Mrs. Harry Baynes, Mrs. C. S. Blackman, Mrs. Leila Wilson and Mrs. Nixon of Parma.

A meeting of the Red Cross local Chapter of New Madrid County was held at the Court House Wednesday afternoon, December 14th, for the purpose of reorganizing with New Madrid as headquarters. J. B. McCutcheon, a representative of the Red Cross Chapter of St. Louis was present and made a very interesting address and gave the members some very helpful information and instructions. About fifty members from the neighboring towns and villages thruout the county were present, Morehouse being the most strongly represented and who were very zealous and enthusiastic over the advancement of the Red Cross work. Officers were elected as follows: Mrs. A. O. Cook, President, New Madrid; Mrs. F. B. Rauch, Morehouse, Vice Chairman; Mrs. W. T. Royer, New Madrid, Secretary; M. F. Ehlers, New Madrid, Treasurer. A movement is on foot to procure a Red Cross nurse, which will require $3000.00 and of which $2200 has alreday been raised. An important matter brought before the members was the Rockefeller Foundation that if the County would raise $1500, that a like sum of $1500 would be donated by this Foundation to this local Chapter, to be used in a health crusade. This matter will be more widely discussed and decided upon next Friday, at which time County Court will be in session, and all the members are urged to be present.

La Tausca Pearl Beads

20 Per Cent Off During December

Johnson & Johnson
Jewelers
Sikeston, Mo.



HE WILL BE HERE

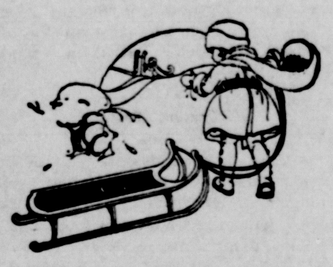
Who?



Why OLD  SANTA

Thursday, Friday and Saturday, December 22, 23 and 24

Bring in the kiddies and let them see him. They and you will enjoy seeing the toys.



The Sikeston Hardware Co
Every Thing In
Hardware and Harness
Sikeston, Mo.



Court Proceedings

November Term 1921, December 13.

Court met present Judges Swartz and Largent, Sheriff and Clerk.

Ordered that warrants issued to J. S. Kochtitzky, Erle B. Belden, Mabel F. Belden, I. H. & Marie A. Dunaway, Harry C. & Dorothy P. Dana, S. L. & Annie E. Truman and Laura M. Tilley, J. H. & Jennie P. Thornburn, A. C. and Mattie E. Scott, George and Louise McBride, Chas. H. and Mary Lemon, Edwin J. Faull, J. W. and Augusta M .Black be cancelled as the aforesaid parties have reached payment for R. W. in D. D. 12.

B. F. Brewington appoint J. P. Lewis Township.

Ordered that C. L. Latimer be appointed Com. Marston Spl. Rd. Dist.

L. M. Stallcup, refund in D. D. No. 1 ..... $138.99

L. M. Stallcup, refund in D. D. No. 5 ..... 207.45

Commercial Trust Co., freight and drayage on car coal..... 195.50

Jno. Clarahan, damages Cheat Walker, rd. 150.00

Jno. C. Stewart, damages Cheat Walker, Rd. 50.00

Amended report on Cheat Walker road. Aproved.

In the matter of D. D. No. 33. Application for appeal by H. H. Halleck, overruled.

In R. L. Williams, et al. road viewers per diam.

J. J. Keipel, per diem and mileage $10.50

Jno. Clarahan, per diem and miueage 10.30

Philo Le Sieur, per diem and mileage 10.30

P. J. Stearns, Supt. School, sal. for November, 1921 ..... $150.00

P. J. Stearns, Supt. School, stamps, etc. 12.65

Ordered that 50c on the $100 valuation be dropped from the tax of the Parma school District.

School loan to Columbus De Lisle et al in the sum of $1500 approved, upon the approval of Pros. Atty.

Petit Jurors: January 1922 Term Circuit Court.

Anderson—Jurors: W. O. Spell and E. P. Reed, alternates: C. P. Poindexter and Arthur W. Matson.

Big Prairie—Jurors: Grover Heath, M. H. Sutton; alternates: Roy Waters, Albert Daugherty.

Como—Jurors: Green Joiner and C. H. Post, alternate: Dave Brairien and C. L. Jewett.

East Jurors: R. J. Lavender, alternate C. A. York.

Hough—Juror: J. E. Ditto, alternate J. W. Tucker.

Le Sieur—Jurors: B. F. Scott and H. F. Hawkins, alternates: Freeman Teroy, Robe. Wrathre.

La Font—Jurors: W. F. Kimes and Chas. Hawkins, alternates: J. B. Metts and Clarence Alsobrook.

Lewis—jurors: Bud Owens and Jno. Nolan, alternates: Dave Pollock and Dutch Mitchem.

Portage—Jurors: J. C. McCrate and G. W. Sutherland, altrenates: Arthur De Lisle and G. C. Meatte.

New Madrid—Jurors: M. L. Eaves, A. F. Moore, D. B. Riley and O. A. Bowers, alternats: Wm. Oglesby, F. S. Hummel, Wm. Buesching, and William Dalton.

St. John—Jurors: Jno. Gullion, alternate: Claude Colborn.

West—Jurors: D. A. Mocabee, G. C. Apple and Sam Randolph, alternates: W. O. Mason, A. E. Mosley nad Jno. D. Barnes.

In Re. D. D. No. 29 ordered that the collector be relieved from the collector be relieved from the collection of taxes in D. D. No. 29 for the year 1921.

W. W. Largent Co. Judge per diem 5 days and milage $27.00

W. W. Largent Co. Judge per diem after hours 5.00

B. F. Swartz, Co. Judge, 3 days per diem and mileage 26.30

B. F. Swartz, Co. Judge, after hours 5.00

Rub-My-Tism, a pain killer.

A slight change in the time of arrival of the Missouri Pacific trains. In the morning they are due to arrive at 8:50. In the evening 4:45, is the hour of arrival.

The obnoxious odor of grease in frying pancakes will be eliminated if instead of greasing the pan a small bag is filled with salt and the pan rubbed with this. Pancakes should be served as fast as they are baked.

Dr. I. H. Dunaway, of Sikeston, was a visitor here today, having a case involving land title in the Circui Court here. Dr. Dunaway recently has been going in for road contract work in his county and states that he may become interested in future such projects down in this section.—Caruthersville Democrat-Argus.

Christine Nilsson, whose death was recently announced, was in youth of exceptional physical strength, which she assiduously developed by the practice of all manner of gymnastic and calisthenic exercises. Not long after her debut in "La Traviata" at Her Majesty's Theater in London Miss Nilsson gave practical expression to the indignation aroused in her by the importunities of an indiscreet admirer by picking him up in her shapely arms, carrying him bodily out of her drawing room to a first-floor landing, and throwing him down a whole flight of stairs, "which proceeding", to quote a nonsense verse well known at the time, "did greatly amaze him."—Clark McAdams in Post-Dispatch.

NOTICE

On December 19th I will have at my store a Salesman from a large Eastern Wholesole Jewelry House with a fine line of Diamonds, Solid Gold Jewelry, etc., in fact everything in the Jewelery line.

If you are wanting anything Special be sure and drop in on that date, **December 19th,** as you will seldom have a line of Jewelry like this to select from.

C. H. YANSON
Jeweler

Remember the date. December 19th.

Wisconsin Copper Mines Very Old.

Ancient copper and silver mines worked by a prehistoric race of aborigines from 1,000 B. C. to 1,500 A. D. have been uncovered within ten miles of the city of Superior, Wis. These unique diggings—forgotten testimony of an unchronicled period of Wisconsin history—show that there existed 3,000 years ago a civilization of which the present day Indian knows nothing.

Few residents even those ranked as the community's pioneers, know of the forgotten mines within walking distance of the downtown section of the city. Fewer still realize that hundreds of years before Lake Superior ever saw its first white explorer, the "first Americans" already had made the city a center for their crude efforts to wrest from nature treasures of precious metals hidden in the hills.

On Tischer Creek one of the early day diggings which for a while stirred the adventurous spirit of the first pioneers, still remains. In 1860, Father Genin, a French Catholic priest, picked up what appeared to be specimens of heavy copper bearing ore. It was the same type of rock which later made Michigan famous as a copper country.

News of the discovery of copper in what was later to be Superior, reached the east, where Capt. Eber Ward, later made famous by the romantic history of Silver Islet, the drowned mine of Lake Superior, organized a company for exploitation of the copper region of the north.

Although the head of the lakes already had gained a wide reputation for being the home of vast deposits of mineral wealth, the discovery of Father Genin sent vivid tales back east where the territory was reported "rich in all its borders by lead almost pure, and copper all refined in pieces as large as two fists and great rocks which had whole veins of turquoise".

The copper "all refined" was the specimens worked by the pre-historic Indians and left on the ground.

The efforts of Father Genin, however, failed to uncover the rich deposit anticipated and the explorations were abandoned.

Facts are intermingled with fiction in the early history of mining at the head of the lakes, but discoveries uncovered in the ancient burial grounds of the mound builders show conclusively that this race of people used copper long before the coming of the white man.

Lead is generally supposed to have been the only metal they knew how to extract from the ore, but they well knew the art of annealing native metals by use of fire. Proof of this is found in the ancient diggings along Lake Superior and in the mounds opened further to the south as well as accounts recorded by French Jesuits, the first Europeans to visit the lakes.

The aborigines built fires on and around huges masses of native copper too large to be removed with hammers, and after the metal had been softened portions were cut off with hatchets and stone hammers. From these pieces they fashioned malleable native metals into various weapons, ornaments and tools.

Discovery of some of the first ancient diggings are credited to Sam O. Knapp, an agent of the Minnesota Mining Company, who found excavations containing stone hammers. Masses of native copper supported by oak logs packed with earth were uncovered at a depth of eighteen feet. No less than ten wagon loads of stone hammers were found in one district.

Reliable data in mining history indicates that many of the present day copper mines were found because prehistoric diggings had uncovered huge masses of metal which were followed up and developed into modern mines.

Business Opportunity For Sale or Exchange

A modern and exceptionally well equipped Steam Laundry and Dry Cleaning plant in good North Missouri town. No competition. Real Estate and equipment could not be replaced today less than $35,000. Will sacrifice for quick deal and consider a well improved farm.—Bruton's office.

MONUMENT—Remember at my yards here I show the finished monuments in granite and marble, ready to deliver and erect, at prices ranging from $15.00 to $1500.00 each.—Moore, "The Monument Man", Poplar Bluff, Mo. 12-6-3mo.

FOR EXCHANGE—High grade stock Hardware in good Central Illinois town to exchange for well located and well improved farm in Southeast Missouri. Stock will invoice about $18,000.00.—Bruton's office.

THE JUANITA FLOUR SACK SEWING CONTEST

The manufacturer who is offering $500 in prizes for the best examples of practical articles for wear or household use, made from Juanita Flour Sack cloth, reports that the interest all over the South in this contest is tremendous.

After supplying the grocers with thousands upon thousands of entry blanks, the head offices are being deluged for new supplies of these entry blanks, because of the thousands of women who have asked for them. The same interest is shown by the ladies of this section.

It is announced that the contest will close on March 1st, and the prizes will be awarded not later than March 15th. Articles for this contest will be received up until midnight of Mrach 1st, so there is plenty of time to get in the contest yet, if you have not done so.

The manufacturer has suplied the grocers with entry blanks giving full information about the contests, and all you have to do to enter the contest is to get one of these blanks from your grocer.

The Scott County Milling Co. office force here in Sikeston is almost swamped with letters through their Southern territory asking for further information as to the contest. From Gulf Port, Miss., enough letters have been received to keep the stenographic force busy for a full week. It was surprising to the Milling Company that such interest should be taken in this contest by small girls, young ladies, matrons and grandmothers. But when you stop to think of ti these Junaita flour sacks are made of the best domestics and can be used for making articles of wear as well as fancy.

When the contest closes all articles submitted will be placed on display in their office rooms and the public will be invited to inspect same.

Our local needle-women should see to it that all of these prizes do not leave home as The Standard believes we have artists with the needle as expert as any to be found. The Juanita brand of flour cannot be surpassed anywhere and those who use it once will be satisfied with no other.

The Standard hopes to keep its readers advised as to progress of the contest from week to week until same closes.

ROOMS FOR RENT—For two or more ladies. Call 459 for information. —Mrs. Amos Buchanann.

Small improved farm wanted in exchange for modern 6-room house in Sikeston, all improvements, well located. No encumbrance. Describe fully what you have, price and amount of incumbrance, if any. Box 537, Sikeston, Mo.

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CANDIES
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Blackwalnut Fudge, per lb.	50c
Divinty	60c.
Maple Cakes	80c
Peanutt Butter Fudge	50c
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Stuffeed Dates	60c
Cream covered Brazil Nuts	80c
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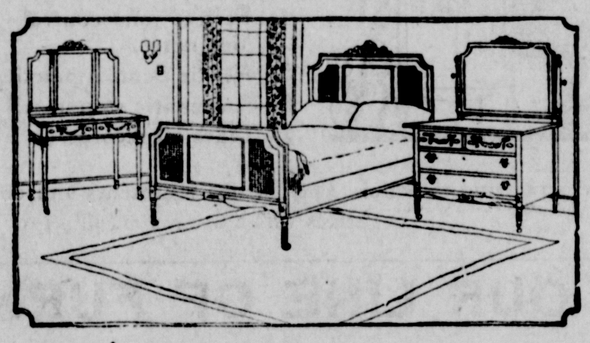
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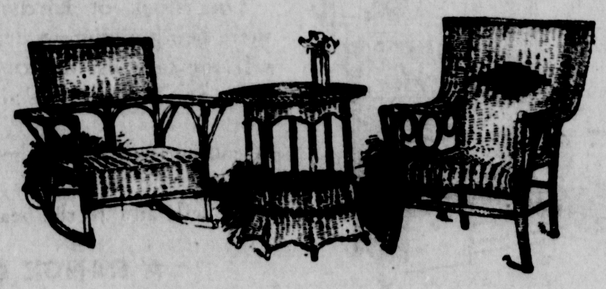
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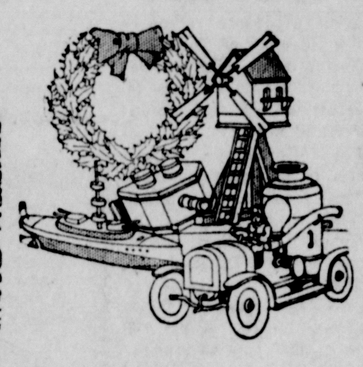
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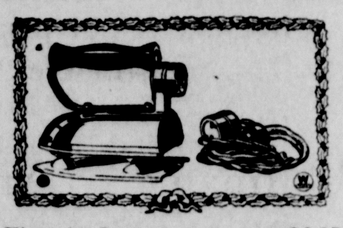
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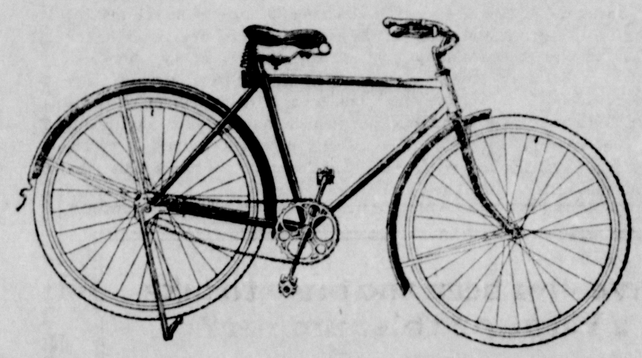


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FARM BUREABU NEWS OF SCOTT COUNTY

W. E. Foard, Agent

Some people in Scott County have been misled by an article seen in the St. Louis papers to the effect that a farmers' organization known as Missouri Farmers' Association had made the statement that they will try to prevent by referendum, the new road law, which allows for the sale of bonds this coming spring and beginning of State Road Construction at that time.

This farmers organization referred to is in no way connected with the Farm Bureau Federation in fact it is an organization that has bitterly opposed the Farm Bureaus and County Agents work from the beginning.

The Missouri Farmers Association is an organization started a few years ago by Mr. William Hirth of Columbia, Missouri, and which has made its principle growth in Central Missouri and also Southwestern Missouri. Mr. Hirth has fathered this organization and is the prime force in its being today. This organization bitterly opposed the sixth amendment when it was up last year and ever since that time it has tried to prevent the law becoming affective.

It may be remembered by a good many that the Missouri Farm Bureau Federation called a meeting in Jefferson City last spring to make recommendations concerning the expenditure of road money. Mr. Frank Emerson of Morley was Scott County's representative at this meeting.

It may also be of interest to know that one of the Highway Board recently appointed by Governor Hyde, is G. S. Connet, a farmer living in Buchanan County, who is President of his County Farm Bureau and also one of the State Farm Bureau Federation directors.

Following is a paragraph taken from an article on this subject in the November 4th issue of the Missouri Farm Bureau News: "In connection with the presentation the Missouri Farm Bureau Federation urged the governor to use his influence to speed up work on the road building program, as that would be in line with recommendations of the organization. The recommendations adopted at the Farm Bureau Convention in Jefferson City last winter were practically all written to the law that finally was passed by the legislature. A request that the work start at the earliest possible moment was contained in one of the resolutions adopted at that time.

Farm Bureau Membership Drive Progressing Nicely.

The work of signing up farmers into the Farm Bureau organization for a period of three years is progressing mighty well for the time spent at this work. E. E. Johnson of Kirksville, one of the solicitors who canvassed Scott County two years ago recently spent two weeks in Scott County holding school house meetings and signing up Farm Bureau members. The most of Mr. Johnson's work was done in the Commerce, Oran and New Hamburg communities. Mr. Johnson says he finds the attitude of the farmers more willing to support the organization that they were two years ago. From the work that has been done there is no question but that a majority of farmers of the county will line up with their organization if only given a chance to do so.

The work in the county is expected to be continued with local solicitors. Four or five farmers have already agreed to take up this work and push it until all the farmers in the county are seen.

County Agent Returns From Annual Conference.

The County Agent spent last week in Columbia, attending the annual conference of County Agents and Agricultural Extension Workers of Missouri. There are now sixty-two County Agents on the job in the State, fifteen home demonstration agents and one boys' and girls' club agent. These are the County Workers in addition there are about thirty Extension Specialists with headquarters at Columbia, who spend practically all of their time in various counties of the State.

It was thought by all present that this was by far the best conference ever held, and it seems that the extension forces and County Agents are getting some good local organizations perfected so that their work can be carried on within the county much more efficiently and economically.

One of the big things that is expected to be done in Scott County next year is to perfect community organizations which will make our work more effective.

The Farmer's Wife a Member Also

There has been little said in Scott County about the positions of the farmers wives in the Farm Bureau. The $5.00 membership dues pays a family admission including wife and children under twenty-one years of age. The farmers wife has a right to vote and just as much to say in this organization as do the men. It is hoped that this will be borne in mind when our annual meeting comes around the first of February and that women as well as men will attend this meeting and take part in it, helping to elect officers and the Executive Committee members.

Mrs. Charles Schuttler, a Southeast Missouri woman living near Farmington, is a member of the State Farm Bureau Federation and also is chairman of a committee recently appointed by Mr. Howard to work out plans for the farm women's work of the country.

Poultry Co-operators Have Good Reports For November.

Practically all of the twenty-six poultry co-operators have turned in their reports for the month of November. Some of these reports show excellent results for November. November and December are the months that usually show the poorest egg production record because the hens have quit laying and the pullets have not begun. One of our co-operators, who had nothing but pullets, shows an average of more than eight eggs per pullet for the month.

A summarized report of the co-operators results for the month of November will soon be made public.

Meeting of Live Stock Shippers.

A meeting of live stock shippers will be held in Chamber of Commerce rooms at Sikeston on the night of December 20th at 7:30 o'clock. True D. Morse, Secretary of Missouri Co-operative Live Stock Shippers, will be present and will discuss the proposition of live stock shipping organizations with local farmers. Mr. Morse will also explain the workings of the Producers' Commission Firm, which starts business in East St. Louis, on January 1, 1922.

It will be well for the people of every county in this state to remember that we now have a new state firearms law, passed by the fifty-first general assembly wherein it is made a felony to even loan a revolver to a friend, without first securing a permit from the circuit clerk authorizing the loan. The new law is said to be one of the most stringent in the country, and the punishment for violating it runs from six months in the county jail to five years in the penitentiary, with a heavy fine also assessable. Under this law one may not sell, loan, borrow, deliver or trade a gun, which may be concealed about the person unless a permit is given. The sheriff must first honor this permit.

NEW MADRID COUNTY FARM BUREAU NEWS

Live Stock Firm Will Start Work On January First

The first of the farmer-owned and controlled co-operative commission firms to be established at the various live stock markets of the country as a part of the plan of the Committee of Fifteen will open for business at National Stock Yards, Ill., on or about January 1, 1922.

The new firm will be called the Producers' Live Stock Commission Association and will have its headquarters at 34 and 35 Exchange Building, National Stock Yards, Ill. The offices have already been rented and application for pen room has been made.

Local co-operative shippers and individual shippers will be given an opportunity to take membership in the new association. Among the advantages of such membership is the fact that live stock will be bought and sold at cost, all profits being prorated back to shippers on the basis of the amount of business done.

The membership fee for individual shippers is ten dollars and for co-operative live stock shipping associations fifty dollars for fifty cars or less annually. For more than that number of cars an additional fee of fifty cents a car for each additional car, based on the previous year's business, is levied on shipping associations.

The local co-operative shipping association and individual shipper will be the foundation upon which the Committee of Fifteen plan will be built. The terminal commission associations will be the national organization, the National Live Stock Producers Association. Producers' stocker and feeder companies are to be established in connection with the terminal commission associations.

The Board of Directors for the new terminal association to be established at National Stock Yards, Ill., is working unceasingly to have everything in readiness when the concern opens for business.

Annual Conference of Agricultural Extension Workers Well Attended.

J. M. Miles, County Agent for New Madrid County, who attended the Annual Conference of Agricultural Extension Workers, held at Columbia, Mo., during the past week, reports that the conference was very successful in point of attendance and the results obtained. The program of work for 1922 was outlined and the methods to be pursued in carrying out the proposed projects, as well as projects already under way, were discussed. Among the more important pieces of work going on throughout the State are the organization of live stock shipping associations, replacement of scrub bulls with purebreds, boys and girls club work, and soil improvement projects.

R. E. Davies, director of the Missouri Farm Bureau Marketing Service gave detailed information concerning the purpose of the marketing organization. This organization will sell to Farm Bureaus and farmers co-operative associations such commodities as coal, potatoes, feed, wire, etc.

Sixty-two County Agents, representing as many counties in the State, attended the meeting.

CEREAL GROWING AREA DECLINING IN ENGLAND

Areas of wheat and oats in England and Wales have declined since the war, and the wartime policy of promoting self-sufficiency in food production is apparently abandoned, reports the Agricultural Commissioner of the United States Department of Agriculutre in London. The wheat area of 1919, 2,221,195 acres, declined to 1,874,652 acres in 1920, in spite of the assured subsidy on all wheat planted in 1920 and for the following four years. Recent economic circumstances have required that this policy of giving wheat subsidies be abandoned and the promise covering the four years beginning with 1920 has been withdrawn.

The statistical record also shows a shrinkage in the area of oats in England and Wales from 2,564,326 acres in 1919 to 2,271,703 acres in 1920. This land goes partly back to luxury crops and garden truck, but the larger part to grass in the return to livestock farming which was followed before the war.

Dan Hocks has closed the barber shop department of his blacksmith shop until spring as nobody in Hogville gets hair cuts in winter time.

In the selection of the All-State Team by football authorities in Kansas City, the Chillicothe Business College was given three places while in making up the second team, it placed five more of its men.

FRANCE SECOND IN AMOUNT OF WHEAT CROP THIS YEAR

Winnipeg, December 13.—France ranks second among the wheat producing nations of the world, according to figures compiled by the International Institute of Agriculture here. The United States is first. Canada is third.

The United States produced 740,665,000 bushels; France 315,639,000, and Canada 294,388,000; these are the figures shown.

The report states that this year's harvest is the third France has grown since the armistice and notes that nothing could tell more eloquently than this great harvest of the rehabilitation of the sturdy French nation and its recovery from the desolation of war.

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MUSCLE SHOALS WOULD GIVE MILLION WORK, EDISON SAYS

Orange, N. J., December 12.—Thos. A. Edison, who recently accompanied Henry Ford on an inspection trip to the government's water-power developments at Muscle Shoals, Ala., today declared the automobile manufacturer could "make the Muscle Shoals project hum, not only getting his rental, but a good profit for the people."

"Fertilizer, which he would manufacture, is in great demand in the South", said the inventor. "In Northern Alabama I saw cotton fields with short stubby plants stunted for lack of fertilizer. What the people need is a cheap fertilizer. The price is too high now.

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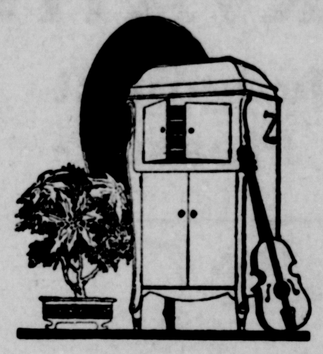
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CHRISTMAS SEALS TO BE PLACED ON SALE DECEMBER 4-25

Missourians Are Asked to Buy Little Tokens Generously to Help in Fight on Tuberculosis.



Missourians in every walk of life have an opportunity to aid a worthy cause by purchasing Tuberculosis Christmas Seals, which are now on sale in all parts of the State, under direction of the Missouri Tuberculosis Association. This year, under the direction of Dr. Walter McNab Miller, executive secretary of the Association, it is hoped to at least double the sales of last year.

Object of the Sales.

The direct object of the sale of Seals is to assist in the fight on tuberculosis. The yearly deaths from this disease in the State have been reduced from 5,113 in 1911 to 3,592 in 1920, due largely to the work of education and prevention carried on by the Missouri Tuberculosis Association. With the momentum already acquired, and the experience of the past ten years as a guide, Dr. Miller thinks it will be possible to reduce the mortality from that disease in 1922 to half what it was in 1911.

Health and School Week.

The observance of Health and School Week, as officially designated in a proclamation by Governor Hyde, is closed on Sunday, December 10th, with appropriate sermons in all churches in the State.

There will be Health Plays, to be given in the schools, and health films and songs, with special lessons and exercises for the purpose of directing attention to the importance of sanitation and hygiene in the home. One day will be designated as Live Extension Day, and on that day eminent physicians and dentists have offered their services free to those who wish to take examination.

Sale of Seals.

The sale of Tuberculosis Christmas Seals began December 4 and closes December 24. The seals this year are from a very attractive design. They are sold for a penny each and come in sheets, so the purchaser can buy as many as desired in convenient form. In addition, an attractive Seal Fund Certificate in regular form will be sold for from $2 to $100. In most counties in the State tuberculosis Christmas Seal Fund Certificates will be sold at $2 each. This certificate is very attractive and appears in the garb of the Christmas-tide.

State Is Organized.

For months past organizers have been busy in all parts of the State, preparing for the sale of the Seals. Volunteer workers in every community have received their instructions and supplies and have been organized so they will work quickly and efficiently. The idea is to give every Missourian an opportunity to buy all of the Seals desired, and thus to have a part in the great movement for a better and more healthful state.

MISSOURI LEADS IN THE FIGHT AGAINST TUBERCULOSIS.

"One reason for the marked decrease in consumption during the last twenty years," writes Dr. W. A. Evans of Chicago, "is the common knowledge of the disease. The man who does not know something about it, how to prevent it, what symptoms cause one to suspect it, and the advantage of open-air treatment, is unusual."

Missouri Tuberculosis Statistics, 1911-1920.

	Years 1911	1920	Variation
Population	3,304,407	3,404,055	* 3.0%
Deaths from all causes	43,479	43,572	* 0.2%
Death-rate from all causes, per 1,000 population.	13.16	12.80	† 1.7%
Deaths from tuberculosis, all forms	5,113	3,592	†29.8%
Tuberculosis death rate per 100,000 population	155.27	105.52	†32.0%
Percentage, deaths from tuberculosis of deaths from all causes	11.76	8.22	†30.3%
Deaths from causes other than tuberculosis	38,366	39,980	* 4.2%
Death-rate from causes other than tuberculosis per 100,000 populat'n	1161.1	1174.5	* 1.1%

* Increase. † Decrease.

The above table of statistics, compiled and elaborated from the mortality report of the Missouri State Board of Health for 1920, emphatically confirms Dr. Evans' statement heading this page.

The main facts revealed in this table are:

(1) That, despite an increase in population, the number of deaths from tuberculosis in Missouri in nine years has decreased 1,521, from 5,113 in 1911 to 3,592 in 1920, a decrease of nearly 30 per cent.

(2) That for every 10,000 population in the state, deaths from tuberculosis in 1920 were 5 fewer than in 1911, a decrease of 32 per cent in nine years.

(3) That while the death-rate from causes other than tuberculosis was 1 per cent greater in 1920 than in 1911, the death-rate from tuberculosis was 32 per cent less than in 1911.

(4) That while in 1911 one out of every eight persons who died from any cause in Missouri died from tuberculosis, in 1920 but one out of every twelve such deaths was due to that disease.

The work of the state association has been chiefly educational, conducted for the most part through the schools of the State. The Missouri plan of work has yielded results unsurpassed in any other State despite the lack of county tuberculosis hospitals.

From 1911 to 1919 the death-rate from tuberculosis decreased more rapidly in the State outside of St. Louis and Kansas City than in these cities. In rural Missouri the fight conducted against tuberculosis has been almost exclusively educational. This fact reveals the effectiveness of health education in the schools and establishes its claim for your participation and financial support of the Missouri Tuberculosis Association.

You can help in the fight to control tuberculosis and to keep Missouri in the lead of the states in reducing the tuberculosis death-rate by buying Tuberculosis Christmas Seals and Christmas Seal Fund Certificates.

W. McN. MILLER, M. D.,
Executive Secretary, Missouri Tuberculosis Association.

EMINENT MEDICAL AUTHORITY MAKES PLEA FOR THE TUBERCULOSIS.

Dr. S. Adolphus Knopf, eminent authority on tuberculosis and author of world standard books on that disease, pleads for the purchase of Tuberculosis Christmas Seals this December.

Because of the pertinence of his letter to the people of New York to the tuberculosis situation in all states, his letter is being given wide publicity throughout the country in order that everyone may know the significance of financial support and co-operation given in this year's sale of Christmas Seals. Dr. Knopf's letter follows:

"Because of the favorable reports of results obtained by the tuberculosis campaign in the reduction of the death rate from tuberculosis, many well-meaning people think that there is no longer any need to help in that direction. Yet if there was ever need of funds to carry on the anti-tuberculosis work efficiently, it is now.

"Tuberculosis, as a rule, does not begin in adult life. It is most frequently contracted in childhood. While it may always remain a latent infection and never develop into a disease, where there is privation and want, underfeeding, insufficient clothing, and overcrowding, the infected child is bound to develop tuberculosis. Underfeeding, technically called malnutrition, among children whose parents are in poor or even moderate circumstances, owing to the hard times and approaching winter, is more to be feared this year than ever before. Many an adult predisposed to tuberculosis retains his good health in prosperous times because he can get good, nutritious food and have a comfortable home. It is different now with the vast army of unemployed, many of whom not only live less comfortably and less hygienically, but must content themselves with insufficient food. Add to this their natural anxiety about the future, and I am sure that unless the situation changes soon we shall have a great many tuberculous adults.

"Let us come to the rescue of those thousands of children and the thousands of men and women who are in danger of becoming tuberculous.

"But besides doing this glorious preventive work, we must also be reminded that there are yet many, many tuberculous cases without proper medical care, some who should be in a sanatorium, others in a hospital, others at least in more sanitary environments than they are at the present time, and others who should receive medical supervision.

"I appeal to the hearts of men and women who have enough food, enough clothing, and a comfortable home, to think of the little children and the men and women who may be saved from contracting tuberculosis, and those who may be cured by proper and timely treatment and care. Let those who cannot help by personal service do their share by giving freely and generously to this campaign. Let all show their interest in the fight for the prevention and cure by buying as many Christmas Seals as they can. Every penny helps. Every one will enjoy Christmas-tide with a lighter and more joyous heart if he or she can say, 'I have helped a child or a poor man or woman not to contract tuberculosis, or I have helped one tuberculous sufferer to regain his health and happiness.'"

S. ADOLPHUS KNOPF, M. D.
"New York, N. Y."

Tuberculosis Christmas Seals are being sold by school children in all parts of Missouri, as are Christmas Seal Fund Certificates in denominations ranging from $2 to $100, all under auspices of the Missouri Tuberculosis Association and local tuberculosis societies.

AMERICAN LEGION WILL AID IN SALE OF CHRISTMAS SEALS.

A resolution passed by the American Legion at its third national convention, Kansas City, October 31st to November 2nd, 1921, reads as follows:

"Whereas, The prevalence of tuberculosis among ex-service men has created a problem of most serious proportions, both to the Government and to the American Legion; and

"Whereas, The National Tuberculosis Association has been generous in its continuous co-operation with the American Legion and the federal agencies that have been trying to solve this problem and to provide proper care for tuberculosis ex-service men; and

"Whereas, The state and local tuberculosis associations have constantly supported the efforts of the American Legion in securing adequate care for ex-service men and are still continuing with their educational and organization campaigns to reduce the incidence of tuberculosis among ex-soldiers.

"Resolved, That the American Legion pledges its unqualified support to the National Tuberculosis Association and its affiliated state and local associations in the fight against tuberculosis which they are carrying on, and that we urge all local posts of the American Legion to co-operate with local and state tuberculosis associations in their several campaigns for the prevention of tuberculosis and especially in the fourteenth annual Christmas seal sale."

Legion posts will have charge of the Tuesday, "Babies Day," and Thursday, "Recreation Day," programs of School and Health Week in the schools.

Tuberculosis Christmas Seals and Seal Fund Certificates are being sold now throughout Missouri by children of the public and parochial schools. Missouri leads the states in the reduction of the tuberculosis death-rate, all due, says Dr. McN. Miller of the Missouri Tuberculosis Association, to the sale of seals by school children.

How much the tuberculosis association may do for the tuberculous ex-service man will depend upon how much money is raised in the Christmas Seal sale.



A Christmas draws near and every man's thoughts turn to some present for "HER"—she, in turn, is wondering what to give "HIM." Our store offers many suggestions for gift-giving that will help to solve your Christmas buying.

For Mother, Daughter
Shoes
Gloves
Hose
Handkerchiefs
Bed Room Slippers



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Ties, Gloves
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Handbags
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NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS FROM MATTHEWS

Matthews, Mo.,
Dec. 12, 1921.

Dear Santan Claus:

Please send me a forked pencil, so I can outclass the other fellows at figures, also a doughnut, large as the moon, so I can see the doughnut without looking at the hole in it. Bring smiles and good cheer and a peace on earth, good will toward all men.

Mrs. W. B. MIZE.

G. F. Deane had business in Sikeston, Wednesday.

Fred Marr went to Sikeston Tuesday on business.

Mrs. Leon Swartz and Mrs. W. O. Carroll shopped in Sikeston, Monday.

Mrs. G. D. Steele and Tim Moore of Chanute, Kansas, motored to Sikeston Wednesday.

We are glad to report that Mrs. Jeff Russell was able to resume her school duties at Noxall Monday.

Tim Moore, brother of Mrs. G. D. Steeele, arrived Monday from Chanute, Kansas on a visit to his sister.

Misses Lucille Greere and Callie Emory and Calvin Greer of East Prairie were the gusets of Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Russell, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Story entretained Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Stewart and little son, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Swartz and the twins, Jane Ann and Benny, with a turkey dinner, Tuesday.

Mrs. G. D. Steele, little son John Chaney and Miss Willa Deane accompanied Mrs. Elizabeth Winchester as far as Sikeston Wednesday, where she took the train for her home in New Concord, Tenn.

George Dynon, of St. Louis, representative of the Universal moving pictures, was in Matthews to engage some of the new and popular plays to Mr. McMillin for his shows. Mr. and Mrs. Charles McMillin motored down to New Madrid with Mr. Dynon Tuesday evening to visit the moving pictures at that place.

Howard Steele, president of the Matthews bank, was called to New Mexico Friday by telegram, telling of the death of his friend, Will Allen. Mr. Allen was raised by Mr. Steele's father, the late Geo. Steele, Sr., and lived here until about ten years ago when he went to New Mexico and made good out there. He was a fine man and had many friends, who will regret to hear of his death.

A fine picture was put on the screen at the McMillin Theatre Monday, the "A. B. C. of Love." Another fine show will be given Friday and Saturday night. Matthews can certainly boast of having a fine up-to-date moving picture show to go to. Let everybody come Saturday night. Don't forget on December 23rd and 25th that celebrated play "The Heart of Humanity" will be given at the Theater. This play is in thirteen reels and you miss half of your life if you miss it.

Mrs. Lola McCloud entertained Tuesday evening in her usual hospitable style with a party in honor of Mrs. Elizabeth Winchester of New Concord, Tenn. and Mr. Tim Moore of Chanute, Kansas, who are guests of Mrs. G. D. Steele. The following were present: Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Singleton, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Emory, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Swartz, Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Steele, Mr. and Mrs. O. K. Mainord, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Deane, Mrs. Elizabeth Winchester, Miss Jessie Trent, Miss Winner Walker, Miss Flossie Reed, Miss Vera Roberts, Miss Ruby Byrd, Misses Willa and Lillith Dean, Tim Moore, Ronald Buckles, and Frank Sutton. Refreshments were served. The partakers of Mrs. McCloud's hospitality took their departure at a late hour, declaring a most delightful evening spent.

INFORMATION CONCERNING SOLDIERS' BONUS

1. Soldier must have resided within the State of Missouri at least twelve months immediately prior to April 6, 1917.

2. Must have served honorably in the Miliary or Navatl forces of the U. S. at any time between the 6th day of April, 1917, and the 11th day of November, 1918.

3. No person will be entitled to a bonus who has received a bonus from another State for the same service.

4. Will be paid only to the individual soldier, who cannot assign or sell it.

5. In case of death, bonus is payable in the order named to surviving wife, child, mother, father.

6. Rate of bonus: $10.00 per month or major portion thereof, while in active service, not to exceed the sum of $250.00.

7. The commission will not be able to begin payment until after the bonds are sold, which will be about May 1st, 1922, so do not make your application until it publicly announces it is ready, as you will only waste your time and theirs.

NAVY, LACKING MONEY TO PAY WILL DROP ABOUT 5000 MEN

Washington, Dec. 14.—The enlisted personnel of the navy will be reduced shortly by about 5000 men as a result of orders authorizing the discharge of many men on their own requests, it has been learned at the Navy Department.

The reduction is necessary on account of the shortage of the appropriation for the pay of enlisted men for the balance of the year, it was said at the department, and will take place as soon as it is possible to make the discharges.

Coons—Possom—Mink—We want to buy your furs.—White Front Candy Kitchen.

The Story of Our States

By JONATHAN BRACE

XXXII.—MINNESOTA



MINNESOTA is formed partly from a portion of the Northwest territory and partly by the Northeast section of the Louisiana Purchase. It was the Mississippi river which was the dividing line between these two large territories.

The Eastern section was ceded by France to Great Britain in 1763 and became a part of the United States at the end of the Revolution by the Treaty of Paris in 1783. The Northwest territory was organized by congress four years later. Then, as this great federal domain became settled and was gradually divided into states, the Eastern part of the present State of Minnesota belonged in turn to the Territories of Indiana, Michigan and Wisconsin.

As to the western portion of the state, this was a part of the Louisiana Purchase, which was bought from France by the United States in 1803. As this region became subdivided, Western Minnesota formed a part of the Territories of Louisiana, Missouri and Iowa.

The first white man to penetrate to Minnesota was the French explorer, Duluth, who in 1678 built a fort on Lake Superior and there established a very extensive fur trade. Two years later, Father Hennepin and two companions were sent by La Salle to explore the Upper Mississippi and reached the Falls of St. Anthony, where Minneapolis now stands. But it was not until the Nineteenth century that permanent settlements were made. In 1822 the first mill was built at the Falls of St. Anthony, where were destined to arise such important successors. In 1841, Father Galtier built a chapel dedicated to St. Paul, and this was the foundation of the present great city of that name.

As to the name Minnesota, the state was so called from the river that runs through it, which in the Dakota Indian language makes the words "Minne," meaning "Water," and "Sotah," meaning "Sky-colored." Sometimes the state is called the "North Star State," from the motto on its coat-of-arms.

Minnesota was admitted to the Union in 1858. Its area is 84,682 square miles and it is the most important of our wheat producing states. It has twelve presidential electors.

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To prevent a cold take 666.

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Heed This

It May Save Your Life

The object of this article is to instruct people in the early symptoms of tuberculosis so that they will go to physicians before it is too late.

SUSPICIOUS SYMPTOMS.

Cough or expectoration, even if only a little in the morning, if continued over two months.

Hoarseness or huskiness of voice, if at all persistent and not otherwise explained.

Rapid pulse, slight afternoon fever, a tired feeling continually.

Frequent attacks of "bronchitis," "grip" or fever.

Blood spitting. Caused by tuberculosis nine times in ten.

Pleurisy or pains in the chest. Caused by tuberculosis about seven times in ten.

Night sweats. Very suspicious.

Loss of weight and strength. Very suspicious, particularly if there is a slight cough.

Tuberculosis may be cured if treated in time.

If any symptoms enumerated here are present, no matter how well you look or feel, take this slip to your physician and explain your case. We will send pamphlets on the subject free.

Help win the fight for health against tuberculosis by buying Tuberculosis Christmas Seals in December.

Missouri Tuberculosis Association,
706 Pontiac Building,
St. Louis, Mo.

HEALTH EMERGENCY PROCLAMATION.

St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 5, 1921.

Whereas, Smallpox is prevalent in a virulent and dangerous form in some localities throughout the State of Missouri and still continues to increase, and

Whereas, It is known that smallpox has been transmitted from place to place by common carriers of passengers, and

Whereas, It is necessary for the speedy extermination of the disease that every precaution be taken, and

Whereas, As vaccination is the only known preventive; be it

Resolved, by the State Board of Health of Missouri, That all common carriers of passengers of interstate and intercounty passage be and are hereby required to require of all persons a certificate from a recognized authority (licensed physician) showing that the person is protected by vaccination or has been successfully vaccinated within three years, before selling a ticket or before accepting for passage any person either for interstate or intercounty passage or transportation.

This order shall be in effect throughout the State of Missouri on and after December 15, 1921.

Missouri State Board of Health,
CORTEZ F. ENLOE, Secretary.

Keeping Car's Temperature.

It is desirable during the transit of fruit in a refrigerator car to know the precise temperature in different parts of the car, for this temperature is seldom the same thoughout the interior of the car. For this purpose the Department of Agriculture has now in use an instrument which is described in Popular Mechanics Magazine. It has twelve resistance thermometers for recording the temperature at twelve different parts of the car. The instruments are connected by a cable to a 12-point plug that fits a socket on the recording box, so that a circuit can be established with any of the twelve thermometers. The exact temperature is shown on a register in one corner of the box and a chart shows the location of each thermometer.

"Moll Cutpurse," Notorious Thief.

Mary Frith, sometimes called "Moll Cutpurse," a notorious thief in the time of Charles I (1625-1649), died of dropsy at the age of 74. She possessed great physical strength, and frequently assumed man's attire. Having on one occasion held up Lord Fairfax on Hounslow heath, she was captured and sent to Newgate, but escaped by means of bribery.

NOT MANY FEEBLE-MINDED

Authority Shows That Only Two Per Cent of the Population Can Be So Classed.

The idea that we are menaced as a nation by illiterates and feeble-minded is all wrong. We have illiterates and feeble-minded in our midst, but they are a relatively negligible force numerically. The reverse idea, or idea in the reverse, that we are short on genius, also is wrong, according to Dr. George G. Chambers, director of admissions at the University of Pennsylvania, and the educators who co-operate with him. Doctor Chambers says genius as a national crop is statistically as strong as the more discussed feeble-minded and that each represents a mere 2 per cent of the population.

But genius, says Dr. Chambers, is not the mere possession of a talent swollen to phenomenal degree, perhaps so hypertrophied that it is useless. He denies genius to the man, however great his talents, who cannot and does not exercise them. Genius in his definition is high intelligence followed by actual use of that intelligence in life. And intelligence is the ability to adapt one's self to new circumstances, to one's surroundings—in a word, to be able to know something and make use of one's knowledge. Under this definition it is surprising that the adaptable Yankee should not hold a higher record for genius than 2 per cent.—Pittsburgh Dispatch.

BROUGHT ALL HE COULD FIND

Evidently Georgie Had Had Quite a Serious Spill From Bicycle He Had Rented.

Bill Spokes, a second-hand bicycle man, was a just man and usually slept the sleep of the just, but one night his saintly slumbers were disturbed by a voice hailing him below his window.

"What's wrong?" he called out, drowsily.

"D'you remember lending Georgie Smith a machine this afternoon?" piped the voice.

"That's right," said the bicycle man; "but I ain't going to take it in at this time of night. Georgie will have to keep the machine till mornin', and pay by the hour."

"Yes, of course," agreed the voice from below; "that's fair. But Georgie had a bit of a spill through running into a motorcar, and he don't want to pay for the hire of more'n he can help. I've brought round all we can find of the machine so far."

At that the second-hand bicycle man jumped from his bed and rushed angrily to the window.

"And what have you found?" he shouted.

"It's coming up!" piped the voice, and an oil can sailed into the room.—Boston Globe.

Temptation Windows.

In a small Indiana town the Methodist church has stained glass windows on the bottom panels of which are printed verses of Scripture. One that six-year-old Willie has been able to decipher, and from the effort remembers well, goes: "And lead us not into temptation."

Not long after, his mother took him to visit an old friend who had built an expensive new home. Now, in the hall there were two high windows and both of them were made of orange-colored glass. When they entered that room Willie stared and stared but said nothing. But that night when he told his father all about the new house he remembered the orange windows and said: "And oh, dad, they're awfully religious. They've got those windows that keep out temptation."

Back to Medicine of Mayas.

Prof. William Gates, president of the Maya society, states that in Central America there have recently been discovered the evidences of an ancient race of people, with a civilization as old and as cultured as that of the ancient Egyptians. They were of a lofty mental attitude and of high metaphysical qualities.

Among the most important discoveries expected to be made there are the unearthing of native medical works, some of which are already in the hands of the Maya society, that will add valuable specific pharmacopoeia and medicinal knowledge to that science in this country.

Plenty of Hair.

After stumbling in a dark theater for a few minutes I fell into an aisle seat behind a young woman, writes a correspondent, I could not see the screen well, as the girl in front hid most of it from my vision. I could see only the outline of her head against the screen and I thought she had her hat on, so I politely asked her to remove it.

She turned half way around and said: "You flatter me."

As I got a better look at her I realized that she had her hair bobbed and fluffed out so far it made it appear that she wore a hat.

New Fuel Gas.

A Swiss engineer has produced a rich new gas, suitable for use in internal-combustion engines, by first packing sheet-metal drums with alternate layers of common calcium carbide and sawdust, saturated by crude oil, then adding water. The carbide in combining with the water liberates acetylene gas and also generates a high degree of heat which cracks and volatilizes the crude oil, liberating its gases. The two gases then combine to form the new one.—Popular Mechanics Magazine.

Invest in a business with a constant demand for its product.

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McMullin

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Simpson motored to Cape Girardeau Tuesday.

Juanita Carpenter spent the week-end at the home of Mrs. Denman of Sikeston.

The pupils of the McMullin school are preparing for examinations the week before Christmas.

Louise Lewis is still out of school suffering from an abcess on her foot. She is under the care of Dr. G. W. Pressnell.

Mr. and Mrs. Nick Kindred and Mrs. Anna Ancell and son Walter, spent the wek-end at the home of Mrs. Lynn Waggoner of Charleston.

To break a cold take 666.

Only two mines, both in Colorado, produced tungsten in the United States last year, and the total production was the smallest for any year since 1902.

Kerosene will clean the kitchen sink twice as quickly as any scouring powder. Moreover, kerosene, mild soap, and hot water will never injure the porcelain.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL FROM NEW MADRID

Mrs. Hattie Jackson spent Sunday with homefolks in Portageville.

Dr. J. W. Bess of Lilbourn was in New Madrid on business last Thursday.

G. F. Deane of Matthews was a business visitor in New Madrid Monday.

Dr. R. Lee Williams of Point Pleasant was a New Madrid visitor Monday.

C. A. Tant, Bridge Contractor of Portageville, attended County Court, Monday.

Atty. George H. Traylor made a professional trip to Parma, Thursday of last week.

Attorney E. F. Sharp of Marston attended County Court at New Madrid, Monday.

Mrs. Sager and daughter, Miss Lena of Portageville were New Madrid visitors Saturday.

Mrs. Jennie Mitchell and son Clay were in Portageville the latter part of last week on business.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Newsum are the proud parents of a boy baby born to thme on Saturday, December 1.

James P. Salyer, Cashier of the Parma Bank transacted business at the County Seat, Thursday of last week.

Mrs. Fannie Fine and little son, Lee Calvert, returned Monday from a several weeks visit with her sister, Mrs. Paul Mueller of Jackson.

Mrs. Eva Hunter, Mrs. S. L. Hunter, Jr., Mrs. Shap R. Hunter, Jr., Mrs. H. Clay Hunter and little daughter, Marie, spent Friday and Saturday in Cairo, shopping.

Misses Thelma Sherrard and Juanita Clark and Messrs. E. L. Crumpecker and G. Mocabee of Morehouse motored to New Madrid Sunday evening and were guests at the Hamilton.

Mrs. Roy E. Anderson and little daughter, Mary Martha, left Saturday for their home in Arlington, Tenn., after spending a few weeks with her mother, Mrs. Mary Griffith of this city.

W. T. Shanks accompanied by Mrs. Margaret Grey, Mrs. Clay Stubbs, Misses Margaret Shanks and Vera Walpole of Sikeston, motored to New Madrid and were guests of Mrs. W. L. Meier last Thursday.

John and Herman Bremmerman, accompanied by their neices, Miss Alleen, Helen and Lillias Allison, of Cape Girardeau, spent the week-end in New Madrid as guests of their sisters, Mrs. John F. Gordon and Mrs. Alvina Owens.

Mrs. Clay Mitchell returned Sunday from Chaffee, where she was called by the illness of her sister, Mrs. A. W. Ingram, who was suffering from an attack of pneumonia, but is reported better. She will be pleasantly remembered by the New Madrid people as Miss Genevieve Proffitt.

Last Friday, Robert Terry, a restaurant keeper in this city, in company with a friend, went out on a duck hunting expedition and were successful in killing fourteen and on returning home, they stopped over in Matthews to procure a lunch and while doing so, some kind friend relieved them of their game, taking all the fourteen.

The Caltalpa Lodge No. 294 W. O. W., met last Friday evening, December 9, and elected the following officers: James Brooks, Consul Commander; C. A. Shelby, Advisor Lieutenant; M. Frankle, Banker; William Buesching, Clerk; Alfred Stepp, Escort; C. L. Fontaine, Watchman; A. L. Coon, Sentry; Wm. Smith, Messenger, after which the members enjoyed an elaborate banquet prepared for them at Crout's restaurant.

Miss Linda Stewart was the charming hostess for the Wednesday afternoon Bridge Club, the substitutes being Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Bock, Mr. and Mrs. June C. St. Mary and Dr. and Mrs. W. L. Digges. S. R. Hunter was awarded the gentleman's prize, an angel food cake and the ladies' prize, a handmade embroidered dresser scarf, was presented to Mrs. St. Mary for her excellent playing. At the conclusion of the game, a very delicious luncheon of cream chicken, pineapple salad, potato chips, rolls, coffee and candy were served.

Miss Eva Carter visited Cairo Sunday.

J. W. Black was a visitor to Illinois this week, returning Friday.

Mrs. J. W. Black will entertain with several tables of Bridge Friday afternoon.

J. P. Johnson of Arbor, Mo., visit his son, Roy Johnson, the early part of the week.

Louie Shields of La Forge was a pleasant caller at The Standard office Wednesday.

Miss Lillie Brucher of Cape Girardeau was a week-end guest to her sister, Miss Helen Brucher.

The many friends of Mrs. George Van Lear will be pleased to hear that she is steadily improving.

Mrs. Archie Barnett is visiting her parents at Grays Ridge while Archie is on a business trip to Perkins, Ky.

The ladies Missionary Society of the Methodist Church held an all day meeting with Mrs. Jno. L. Tanner, Thursday.

Mrs. J. B. Porter of Rector, Ark. and her little granddaughter are visiting her son, A. Ray Smith and wife and will remain until after the holidays.

Brazil has a mine from which gold and silver have been taken almost continuously since 1725, arsenic being obtained from the residuous sand in recent years.

A new electric truck for warehouses and factories picks up objects weighing several hundred pounds and can be made to change their position when unloading them.

The Bowman school played the Fairview school a game of football. The Bowman school came out winners. Miss Madge Davis is the teacher in the Bowman school.

A variety of sunflower has been developed that grows only three feet in height and produces white blossoms that yield more seeds than any other kind of the same plant.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Davis and children of Council Bluffs, Ia., will visit homefolks for the Christmas holidays. Carl is advertising manager on one of the Council Bluff's papers.

Old Santa Claus may not be able to carry such a load this Christmas as he has in past years, but we have an idea he will remember most of the little fellows in some sort of a way.

An explorer who took part in an Antarctic expedition says the most remarkable effect of the cold which he noticed was the almost complete loss of the sense of touch in the fingers.

Mr. and Mrs. Loomis Mayfield entertained with a dinner party at their home on North Kingshighway Tuesday evening. Covers were laid for Mr. and Mrs. Clay Stubbs, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lindley, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Galeener, Miss Burnice Tanner, Arthur Barrett, Miss Vera Walpole, Herman Henry, Miss Margaret Shanks and Dr. Anthony.

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HOW THE RED BIRD GOT ITS COLOR

Allan Hinchey

In the Bois Brule lived the people of Sauk-ton-qua. Great hunters they were, and warriors feared by other tribes.

This legend was told to the writer by his great-great grandmother more than a half century ago. She was the widow of Capt. William Holmes, commander of the second company of the Ste. Genevieve regiment in the war of 1812. The Holmes' came into the Ste. Genevieve district about the time of the Louisiana Purchase and settled on the River Aux Vasse, near the lowlands called by the French "Bois Brule". The legend was told to her by an old warrior of the Chawanon (Shawnee) tribe, but probably had been handed down from a period prior the trail that led into the Bois Brule. It follows:

For years they had waged wars with the Osages, who lived many miles to the north.

Chief Sauk-ton-qua had two daughters, comely maidens and graceful, the younger, Mina-lauk, being beloved of all her people. But the older was of jealous disposition and was envious of her sister's popularity.

Sauk-ton-qua and his warriors were away, into the country to the north, on an expedition against their Osage enemies. The old men, the squaws and the children remained in the Bois Brule.

It was the autumn of the year. The forests were clad in gorgeous hues, purple grapes hung thickly from the vines and the ground was covered with pecans that had fallen from the trees.

Each day Mina-lauk went into the forests surrounding the village to gather grapes and nuts for the winter stores.

And often would she linger by the trail that led into the Bois Brule from the country to the north, for among the absent warriors was a young chief to whom Mina-lauk had pledged her troth, and she longed for his coming.

Her sister, too, loved the young chief, and was jealous of Mina-lauk, whom she at times followed into the forest and watched from concealment with hatred in her heart.

One day a runner came to announce the approach of Sauk-ton-qua and his warriors. Mina-lauk hastened to a trysting place to which she knew her lover would come.

As she stood in the trysting place, with beating heart, she heard the shouts of the victorious warriors as they neared the village. She was happy in the knowledge that soon her lover would come.

Suddenly and fiercely she was attacked by a bird that tore her face and clawed at her eyes, until the poor maiden was blinded and her face was covered with blood.

The shrieks of Mina-lauk brought an aged medicine man who seized the bird, the feathers of which were dyed crimson from the blood torn from the face of Mina-lauk.

The young chief came to the trysting place to seek his beloved.

He found her blinded and her face cruelly torn. "Give me the bird, that I may kill it", he cried.

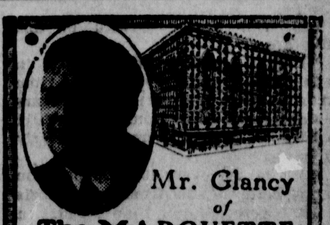
"No" replied the medicine man, "it is her cruel sister, who has taken the form of a bird, and to punish her she shall remain a bird for all time, and she and all her kind shall wear blood-red feathers unto the end of time."

Kid body dolls are the best.—Pinnell Store Co.

Tables, chairs, and other articles of furniture are now made from compressed paper so colored and polished as to give it the appearances of the finest woods.

For having been a faithful servant in the same family for a period of 55 years, Mme. Euphemie Bienseant has received a silver medal from the French government.

Experiments in Esthonia have succeeded in obtaining more gas from shale than from a similar quantity of coal, and have fired locomotives successfully with shale.



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